

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0205

Big and trophy game animals—minimum hunting age.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Northrup, Hunt, Lindholm and
Winter and Senator(s) Agar and Hicks

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; lowering the minimum age at
2 which a person may take a big or trophy game animal; and
3 providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-2-102(a) is amended to read:

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9 **23-2-102. Age restrictions; game animals; game birds.**

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11 (a) The minimum age to take any big or trophy game
12 animal is ~~twelve (12)~~ ten (10) years. Any person authorized
13 by this subsection under the age of fourteen (14) years shall
14 at all times when hunting be accompanied by a person over the
15 age of majority who possesses and can exhibit a certificate

1 of competency and safety as specified in W.S. 23-2-106 or who
2 currently holds, or has been issued a Wyoming big game hunting
3 license within the last five (5) years. If the person
4 accompanying the hunter under the age of fourteen (14) years
5 is not the parent or guardian of the hunter, the hunter shall
6 have in his possession a permission slip signed by his parent
7 or guardian allowing him to hunt under supervision. Each
8 accompanying adult shall supervise not more than one (1)
9 hunter under the age of fourteen (14) years. Any person under
10 the age of fourteen (14) years applying for a license to hunt
11 big or trophy game animals under this subsection shall have
12 the application for the license co-signed by his parent or
13 legal guardian.

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15 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2019.

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