

SENATE FILE NO. SF0063

Predator ownership.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Anderson, J.D. (SD02) and Emerich
and Representative(s) Barlow

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to predatory animals; prohibiting ownership
2 of a predator without a permit; providing a definition;
3 providing a penalty; and 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. 11-6-109 is created to read:

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9 **11-6-109. Predator ownership prohibited; penalty.**

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11 No person shall knowingly own or possess a living predator
12 unless the person has obtained a permit from the director
13 of the department of agriculture giving approval to own the
14 predator. The director shall not issue a permit under this
15 section if the director determines that ownership of the

1 predator presents any threat to public health or safety.
2 Any person failing to comply with this section shall be
3 punished as provided in W.S. 11-1-103. As used in this
4 section, "predator" means a predatory animal as defined in
5 W.S. 23-1-101(a) (viii).

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7 **Section 2.** W.S. 11-1-103 is amended to read:

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9 **11-1-103. Penalty for violations.**

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11 A person who violates any of the following sections commits
12 a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than
13 six (6) months, a fine of not more than seven hundred fifty
14 dollars (\$750.00), or both for the first offense, or by
15 imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, a fine of not
16 more than one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), or
17 both for second or subsequent offenses: W.S. 11-6-109,
18 11-6-210(a) or (f), 11-18-112, 11-19-101, 11-19-102,
19 11-19-103, 11-19-111, 11-19-210, 11-19-215, 11-19-304,
20 11-19-306, 11-19-401, 11-20-114, 11-20-117, 11-20-229,
21 11-20-230, 11-21-104, 11-22-118, 11-23-106, 11-23-207,
22 11-24-103, 11-24-106, 11-26-101(b), 11-30-114 and
23 11-48-102. A person who violates board rules promulgated

1 pursuant to W.S. 11-18-103(a)(v) shall be subject to the
2 penalties specified in this section.

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4 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2015.

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