

SENATE FILE NO. SF0043

Dogs injuring livestock.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Peck

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the killing of a dog running or injuring  
2 big game animals or livestock; providing for owner  
3 notification; requiring report as specified; and providing  
4 for an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-31-301(d) is amended to read:

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10 **11-31-301. Public nuisance; notice; penalties; rules**  
11 **and regulations; animal control districts and officers.**

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13 (d) A dog in the act of running or injuring big game  
14 animals may be killed by a county sheriff, his deputy or  
15 any other peace officer. A dog injuring or killing  
16 livestock may be killed by the owner of the livestock or  
17 his agent or any peace officer. A person killing a dog

1 pursuant to this subsection shall make reasonable efforts  
2 to ascertain the ownership of the dog and inform the owner  
3 or a peace officer of the dog's death and the circumstances  
4 surrounding the death. Any peace officer who in the course  
5 of duty kills a dog pursuant to this subsection or has  
6 received a report that a dog has been killed, shall file a  
7 report with his employing agency within twenty-four (24)  
8 hours of his actions.

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10 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2002.

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