

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0057

Rabies regulation-2.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) McMurtrey and Senator(s)  
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to rabies management; authorizing the  
2 animal damage management board to manage rabid wildlife;  
3 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. 11-6-304(a), (b)(ii), (iv) through  
8 (vi) and (d) and 11-6-306(c) are amended to read:

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10 **11-6-304. ADMB responsibilities; animal damage**  
11 **management policy; rules; methods to manage predatory**  
12 **animals, predacious birds, depredating animals and rabid**  
13 **wildlife; manner of calling meetings; frequency.**

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15 (a) The ADMB is responsible for the formulation of  
16 the damage prevention management policy of the state, and

1 by and through an executed memorandum of understanding  
2 (MOU) with the Wyoming game and fish commission is  
3 responsible for management of rabid wildlife, crop,  
4 livestock and wildlife damage done by depredating animals  
5 and wildlife damage by predatory animals and predacious  
6 birds. The ADMB in conjunction with its responsibility may,  
7 consistent with the Wyoming Administrative Procedures  
8 Procedure Act adopt rules to implement policies  
9 administered by the ADMB. After consultation with the  
10 livestock board, the ADMB shall promulgate rules pertaining  
11 to rabies prevention in wildlife including surveillance,  
12 public education, vaccination protocol, post-exposure  
13 procedures and quarantines. The ADMB may enter into the  
14 agreements with law enforcing agencies to carry out the  
15 quarantine provisions. Nothing in this article shall  
16 preempt the Wyoming game and fish commission authority to  
17 manage wildlife or determine damage pursuant to any  
18 provision in title 23.

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20 (b) In its deliberations the ADMB shall:

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22 (ii) Specify programs designed to prevent damage  
23 by predatory animals, rabid wildlife, predacious birds and

1 depredating animals to livestock, agricultural crops,  
2 wildlife, property, human health and safety;

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4 (iv) Specify methods for the prevention and  
5 management of damage and for the selective control of  
6 predatory animals, rabid wildlife, predacious birds and  
7 depredating animals;

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9 (v) Maintain responsibility and appropriate  
10 funds for the purpose of providing damage prevention and  
11 management to agricultural livestock and crops, wildlife,  
12 property, and human health and safety caused by predatory  
13 animals, rabid wildlife, predacious birds and depredating  
14 animals;

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16 (vi) Cooperate with federal, state and county  
17 governments, educational institutions and private persons  
18 or organizations to effectuate agricultural and wildlife  
19 damage and rabid wildlife prevention policies;

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21 (d) The ADMB may adopt rules and regulations  
22 necessary for carrying out the purpose and provisions of  
23 this article. The ADMB may appoint employees and assistants  
24 as necessary and fix their compensation. The ADMB may enter

1 into cooperative agreements with boards of county  
2 commissioners, predatory animal control districts, federal  
3 or state agencies or other commissions, organizations or  
4 associations for the purpose of managing predatory animals,  
5 rabid wildlife, predacious birds and depredating animals.  
6 Predatory animal control district boards which choose not  
7 to enter into a cooperative agreement with the ADMB shall  
8 not be precluded from continuing with, or entering into, a  
9 cooperative agreement or memorandum of understanding with  
10 the United States department of agriculture, animal and  
11 plant health inspection service, wildlife services  
12 (USDA/APHIS/WS), other entities of government,  
13 organizations or associations. This act is not intended and  
14 shall not replace, rescind, modify nor cancel cooperative  
15 agreements or cooperative service agreements between the  
16 USDA/APHIS/WS and the county predatory animal districts  
17 created under W.S. 11-6-201 through 11-6-210.

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19 **11-6-306. Animal damage management account.**

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21 (c) Any supplemental contributions received by the  
22 department from livestock owners for predatory animal,  
23 predacious bird or depredating animal damage management  
24 programs or the prevention and management of rabid wildlife

1 shall be deposited into the animal damage management  
2 account.

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

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