

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0242

Pursuit of game-entry on private land.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Iekel and Petersen and  
Senator(s) Decaria

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; authorizing entry upon  
2 private property to retrieve a wounded animal as specified;  
3 excepting such entry from criminal trespass provisions; and  
4 providing 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. 23-3-305(b) and by creating new  
9 subsections (f) and (g) is amended to read:

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11 **23-3-305. Hunting from highway; entering enclosed**  
12 **property without permission; penalty; hunting at night**  
13 **without permission prohibited.**

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15 (b) Except as authorized in subsection (f) of this  
16 section, no person shall enter upon the private property of

1 any person to hunt, fish, or trap without the permission of  
2 the owner or person in charge of the property. Violation of  
3 this subsection constitutes a 7th degree misdemeanor.

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5 (f) A person may enter upon private property adjacent  
6 to the land where he lawfully wounded an animal to  
7 immediately retrieve the animal, provided:

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9 (i) He or another witnessed the wounded animal  
10 enter the private property or he has followed a blood trail  
11 of the animal to the private property;

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13 (ii) He shall leave the private property  
14 immediately upon receiving any personal communication from  
15 the private property owner or occupant, or agent of either,  
16 or by a peace officer to leave the property; and

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18 (iii) He shall be liable for any damage he  
19 causes to the private property.

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21 (g) A person entering and remaining upon private  
22 property in accordance with subsection (f) of this section  
23 shall not be in violation of subsection (b) of this section  
24 nor guilty of criminal trespass under W.S. 6-3-303.

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2       **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon  
3 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
4 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
5 Constitution.

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