

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0203

Grizzly bear relocation notice.

Sponsored by: Representative Representative(s) Davison, Barnard, Childers, Gingery, Hageman, Petersen, Quarberg and Zwonitzer and Senator(s) Cooper and Geis

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; providing for
2 notification of grizzly bear relocations; and providing for
3 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. 23-1-1001 is created to read:

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ARTICLE 10

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GRIZZLY BEAR RELOCATION

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12 **23-1-1001. Grizzly bear relocation.**

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14 (a) Upon relocating a grizzly bear or upon receiving
15 notification that a grizzly bear is being relocated, the

1 department shall notify the county sheriff and the county
2 commissioners of the county to which the bear is relocated
3 and the chief of police of the city or town nearest to the
4 relocation site, by certified mail, return receipt
5 requested, within five (5) days of each grizzly bear
6 relocation and shall publish the notice at least twice in a
7 newspaper of general circulation in the county where each
8 grizzly bear is relocated.

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10 (b) The notice shall provide the following
11 information:

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13 (i) The date of the grizzly bear relocation;

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15 (ii) The identification of each grizzly bear
16 relocated;

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18 (iii) The number of grizzly bears relocated; and

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20 (iv) The specific location of the grizzly bear
21 relocation, including any common name used, section,
22 township and range.

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1 (c) No later than January 15 of each year the
2 department shall submit an annual report to the joint
3 travel, recreation, wildlife and cultural resources interim
4 committee. The annual report shall include the total
5 number and relocation area of each grizzly bear relocated
6 during the previous calendar year. The department shall
7 also publish the annual report at least twice in a
8 newspaper of general circulation in the county where each
9 grizzly bear was relocated.

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11 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2005.

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