

WORKING DRAFT

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Game and fish-license revenue recoupment.

Sponsored by: Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife and Cultural Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; creating a free and
2 reduced price license revenue recoupment program; providing
3 for recoupment of license revenues lost due to statutorily
4 designated free and reduced priced hunting and fishing
5 licenses; providing for reports; providing an
6 appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-1-504 is created to read:

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12 **23-1-504. Free and reduced price license revenue**
13 **recoupment program.**

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1 (a) Not later than July 30, 2007, and not later than
2 the last day of each month thereafter, the chief fiscal
3 officer of the game and fish department shall prepare and
4 certify a report of licenses sold or distributed in the
5 previous month under the following statutes:

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7 (i) W.S. 23-2-201(d)(iii) and (iv) and (g);

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9 (ii) W.S. 23-2-101(j)(xi), (xvi), (xvii), (xx),
10 (xxi), (xxxii) and (xxxiii);

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12 (iii) W.S. 23-2-301(c)(xiii);

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14 (iv) W.S. 23-1-705(a), (d), (e) and (g).

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16 (b) The chief fiscal officer of the game and fish
17 department shall submit to the state auditor the report
18 created under subsection (a) of this section with a voucher
19 for the number of licenses of each type sold or distributed
20 multiplied by the difference between the amount received by
21 the department for that license and the cost of a full
22 price adult license corresponding with each type of license
23 sold or distributed.

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1 (c) Upon receipt of the report and voucher, the state
2 auditor shall transfer to the game and fish fund the amount
3 claimed on the voucher from funds appropriated for this
4 program to the extent available.

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6 (d) The game and fish department shall prepare a
7 biennial budget request prior to each budget session of the
8 legislature for the purpose of funding the free and reduced
9 price license revenue recoupment program and shall submit
10 the request to the governor pursuant to W.S. 9-2-1010
11 through 9-2-1013.

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13 **Section 2.** There is appropriated to the game and fish
14 department one million four hundred thousand dollars
15 (\$1,400,000.00) from the general fund for the period
16 beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008. Funds
17 appropriated under this section shall only be expended for
18 the purpose of funding the free and reduced price license
19 revenue recoupment program and shall not be expended for
20 any other purpose.

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22 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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