

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 31, 2007, and not later than
2 July 31 of each subsequent year thereafter, the chief
3 fiscal officer of the game and fish department shall
4 prepare and certify a report of licenses sold or issued in
5 the previous calendar year under the following statutes:

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

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16 (v) W.S. 23-2-207(a).

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

1 a full price adult license corresponding with each type of
2 license sold or issued.

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4 (c) Upon receipt of the report and payment request,
5 the state auditor shall transfer to the game and fish fund
6 the amount claimed on the payment request from funds
7 appropriated for this program to the extent available.

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

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

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

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