STATE OF NEVADA
2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
120-Day Calendar

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Date (Day of Session)	Date (Day of Session)	Date (Day of Session)
Feb. 6 M (1) Legislators' Prefile or Withdraw BDRs*	Mar. 18 S (41)	Apr. 27 T (81)
Feb. 7 T (2)	Mar. 19 S (42)	Apr. 28 F (82)
Feb. 8 W (3) - **COMMITTEE MEETING @ 3:00PM - CANCELLED**	Mar. 20 M (43) Legislators' Bill Introductions	Apr. 29 S (83)
Feb. 9 T (4)	Mar. 21 T (44)	Apr. 30 S (84)
Feb. 10 F (5) ***Joint Subcommittees Start*** - **NBWC - CARSON**	Mar. 22 W (45)	May 1 M (85) ***Economic Forum Report Due***
Feb. 11 S (6) - **NBWC - CARSON**	Mar. 23 T (46)	May 2 T (86)
Feb. 12 S (7)	Mar. 24 F (47) - **NBWC - S. NV**	May 3 W (87) - **COMMITTEE MEETING @ 3:00PM CANCELLED**
Feb. 13 M (8) Legislators' BDR Requests	Mar. 25 S (48) - **NBWC - S. NV**	May 4 T (88)
Feb. 14 T (9)	Mar. 26 S (49)	May 5 F (89) ***Start Resolving Budget Differences***
Feb. 15 W (10)	Mar. 27 M (50) Joint Standing Rule No. 14 and Other Remaining Bill	May 6 S (90)
Feb. 16 T (11)	Mar. 28 T (51)	May 7 S (91)
Feb. 17 F (12)	Mar. 29 W (52)	May 8 M (92)
Feb. 18 S (13)	Mar. 30 T (53)	May 9 T (93)
Feb. 19 S (14)	Mar. 31 F (54)	May 10 W (94)
Feb. 20 M (15) Joint Standing Rule No. 14 BDR Requests	Apr. 1 S (55)	May 11 T (95)
Feb. 21 T (16)	Apr. 2 S (56)	May 12 F (96) - **NBWC - RENO**
Feb. 22 W (17) - **COMMITTEE MEETING @ 3:00PM**	Apr. 3 M(57)	May 13 S (97) - **NBWC - RENO**
Feb. 23 T (18)	Apr. 4 T (58) ***Start Closing Budgets***	May 14 S (98)
Feb. 24 F (19)	Apr. 5 W (59)	May 15 M (99)
Feb. 25 S (20)	Apr. 6 T (60)	May 16 T (100)
Feb. 26 S (21)	Apr. 7 F (61)	May 17 W (101)
Feb. 27 M (22) Joint Staning Rule No. 14 BDR Details	Apr. 8 S (62)	May 18 T (102)
Feb. 28 T (23)	Apr. 9 S (63)	May 19 F (103) Committee Passage (Second House)
Mar. 1 W (24)	Apr. 10 M (64) - **LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON @ 11:45AM**	May 20 S (104)
Mar. 2 T (25)	Apr. 11 T (65)	May 21 S (105)
Mar. 3 F (26)	Apr. 12 W (66) - **COMMITTEE MEETING @ 3:00PM**	May 22 M (106)
Mar. 4 S (27)	Apr. 13 T (67)	May 23 T (107)
Mar. 5 S (28)	Apr. 14 F (68) Committee Passage (First House)	May 24 W (108)
Mar. 6 M (29)	Apr. 15 S (69)	May 25 T (109) ***Finish Budget Differences***
Mar. 7 T (30)	Apr. 16 S (70)	May 26 F (110) Second House Passage
Mar. 8 W (31)	Apr. 17 M (71)	May 27 S (111)
Mar. 9 T (32)	Apr. 18 T (72)	May 28 S (112)
Mar. 10 F (33)	Apr. 19 W (73) - **NBWC - LEGISLATIVE TELEPHONIC @ 2:30PM**	May 29 M (113)
Mar. 11 S (34)	Apr. 20 T (74)	May 30 T (114)
Mar. 12 S (35)	Apr. 21 F (75)	May 31 W (115) ***Budget Bills Introduced*** ***Exempt Bills from Committee***
Mar. 13 M (36)	Apr. 22 S (76)	June 1 T (116)
Mar. 14 T (37)	Apr. 23 S (77)	June 2 F (117)
Mar. 15 W (38) - **COMMITTEE MEETING @ 3:00PM**	Apr. 24 M (78)	June 3 S (118)
Mar. 16 T (39)	Apr. 25 T (79) First House Passage	June 4 S (119)
Mar. 17 F (40)	Apr. 26 W (80)	June 5 M (120)

*Pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 218D.150, a certain number of a Legislator's BDRs requested before the session convenes must be prefiled or withdrawn not later than the first day of the session.

Bolded and italicized items are budget related deadlines.

Legislative Track **3/25/17**
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Bill/BDR	Description	Sponsors	Status/Location	Explanation	Committee Position/Platform	Commission Position/Platform
COMMISSION SPOKESPERSONS: COMMISSIONER DREW (PRIMARY), COMMISSIONER JOHNSTON (ALTERNATE), AND CHAIRMAN WALLACE (ALTERNATE)						
COMMISSION PRIORITY LIST						
AB29	Revises provisions governing off-highway vehicles. (BDR 18-220)	Committee on Transportation **EXEMPT**	Transportation - Heard; Amend and do pass	AN ACT relating to off-highway vehicles; creating the Off-Highway Vehicles Program in the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; placing the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles within the Department; revising provisions regarding the membership and duties of the Commission; reducing the late fee imposed for failure to register an off-highway vehicle; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support of the concept of the bill to locate the OHV Commission and program within the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; support the 9 member commission as proposed; support adding NDOW as an ex officio member; and specific to grants, to broaden the language, proactively protect and improve habitat, and to direct balance of grants between the promotion of OHVs and infrastructure with the enforcement addressing of impacts and education on OHV use. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:8-0, Young absent)
AB101	Revises provisions governing the management of wildlife. (BDR 45-187)	Assemblyman Sprinkle	Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Senate	AN ACT relating to wildlife; requiring the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to establish policies for the conservation of certain wildlife; revising the authorized uses of the fees for the processing of an application for a game tag; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose the bill as introduced due to the limitation of the Commission and public process for development of predator control programs, that any alternative changes to the bill should consider allowing use of funds for predator management for all game and sensitive wildlife species, to allow for research of predatory wildlife and associated programs, to include habitat projects that have a direct nexus with predation, and to maintain annual programs developed under Commissions guidance. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:6-2, Young absent) UPDATE: Oppose Amendment No. 7 due to the limitation of the Commission and public process for development of predator control programs, that any alternative changes to the bill should consider allowing use of funds for predator management for all game and sensitive wildlife species, to allow for research of predatory wildlife and associated programs, to include habitat projects that have a direct nexus with predation, and to maintain annual programs developed under Commissions guidance. In regard to Amendment No. 206 strike "and the management and enhancement of big game mammals" and replace section 3, subsections 6 and 7 with the language from Assembly Bill 345 from the 77th Legislative Session in section 2, subsection 4. (VOTE: 6 2, Barnes absent)
AB138	Authorizes the de minimus collection of precipitation under certain circumstances. (BDR 48-445)	Assemblywoman Carlton	Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Senate	AN ACT relating to water; authorizing the de minimus collection of precipitation for domestic use and to provide water to wildlife; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support the bill clarifying that wildlife guzzlers do not require a water right. (VOTE: 5-0)	Support that wildlife guzzlers do not need a water right on private or public land and must be developed or approved by the Nevada Department of Wildlife. (VOTE 7-0, Young and Hubbs absent)
AB209	Revises provisions governing the forfeiture of water rights. (BDR 48-308)	Assemblyman Oscarson	Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Senate	AN ACT relating to water; requiring, under certain circumstances, the State Engineer to extend the time necessary to work a forfeiture of certain water rights; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	No position or platform at this time.
AB298	Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 48-735)	Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining	Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Senate	AN ACT relating to water; defining "perennial yield"; authorizing, under certain circumstances, the State Engineer to consider the approval of a monitoring, management and mitigation plan; setting forth certain requirements for a monitoring, management and mitigation plan; requiring the State Engineer to provide notice of a proposed monitoring, management and mitigation plan; authorizing the State Engineer to approve an amendment to a monitoring, management and mitigation plan; defining "environmentally sound" and "unappropriated water" for certain purposes; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support a platform on two provisions of the bill; 1) That the Department of Wildlife is notified of any development or amendment of any monitoring, management, and mitigation plan and 2) The definition of environmentally sound should include specific provisions for no adverse impacts to threatened and endangered or species of conservation priority. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE: 8-0, Barnes absent)
SB47	Makes various changes relating to the appropriation of water. (BDR 48-499)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to water; revising provisions relating to certain applications to appropriate water; revising provisions relating to certain fees collected by the State Engineer; revising the time period in which the State Engineer must declare a forfeiture of certain water rights; revising provisions relating to temporary permits to appropriate water; revising provisions relating to domestic wells; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	No position or platform at this time.

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SB51	Makes various changes relating to the adjudication of vested water rights. (BDR 48-180)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to water; revising provisions relating to the adjudication of certain water rights; revising requirements relating to the notice of a pending determination of certain water rights; revising requirements for hydrological surveys and maps prepared by the State Engineer; revising provisions relating to a proof of appropriation; revising the time period in which a person may intervene in a determination of certain water rights; authorizing the State Engineer to make certain documents related to a determination of water rights available on the Internet; revising provisions relating to objections to certain orders of the State Engineer; requiring certain persons to pay certain costs for a hearing on objections; authorizing a district court to require parties to file a revised map under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	No position or platform at this time.
SB74	Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 48-178)	Committee on Natural Resources **EXEMPT**	Natural Resources - Heard; Amend and do pass; Referred to Senate Finance; Heard	AN ACT relating to water; providing for the collection of rainwater under certain circumstances; authorizing the State Engineer to consider a declaration of drought when determining whether to grant certain extensions; authorizing the State Engineer to create the Advisory Committee on Water Planning and Drought; setting forth the membership and responsibilities of the Advisory Committee; authorizing the State Engineer to impose an administrative fine for the violation of certain provisions relating to water planning and development; authorizing the State Engineer to seek injunctive relief under certain circumstances; revising certain provisions relating to the Water Planning Section of the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; revising provisions relating to a plan of water conservation; revising the membership of the Western Regional Water Commission; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support that wildlife guzzlers do not need a water right or approval by the State Engineer to collect rainwater and to request clarification on how a potential conflict would be determined and remain silent on the remainder of the bill. (VOTE:4-0)	Adopt committee recommendation and make sure U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service guzzlers would fall under the same category. (VOTE:9-0) UPDATE: Support that wildlife guzzlers do not need a water right on private or public land and must be developed or approved by the Nevada Department of Wildlife. (VOTE 7-0, Young and Hubbs absent)
SB75	Makes various changes relating to the Department of Wildlife. (BDR 45-139)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to wildlife; revising provisions relating to the confidentiality of certain information obtained by the Department of Wildlife; revising provisions governing the preparation and dissemination of certain reports and statements concerning the Wildlife Trust Fund, the Dream Tag program upland game bird projects, and certain energy development projects; eliminating the requirement for publication in a newspaper of notice of a meeting relating to certain orders or regulations by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support the confidentiality of those reporting parties who report nuisance wildlife claims, but remain silent on the remainder of the bill. (VOTE:4-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:9-0)
SB116	Revises provisions governing warnings against trespassing. (BDR 15-76)	Senators Settelmeyer and Goicoechea	Judiciary - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to trespassing; revising provisions governing warning against trespassing; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support of the addition of cultivated lands as a means of warning against trespass as long as a clear definition is provided that does not include range seeding, such as crested wheat; support the simplification and making consistent fence markings as long as the line of sight provision is maintained; and oppose barbed wire fence inclusion as a means of warning against trespass. (VOTE: 4-0, Johnston absent)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:8-0, Young absent)
SB197	Extends the deadline for issuing certain bonds for certain environmental improvement projects in the Lake Tahoe Basin. (BDR S-493)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs - Heard; Do pass; Passed; To Assembly; Referred to Assembly Ways and Means; Heard; Do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to the Lake Tahoe Basin; extending the period for the issuance of certain bonds for certain environmental improvement projects in the Lake Tahoe Basin; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support to extend the Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program until 2030. (VOTE: 4-0, Johnston absent)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:8-0, Young absent)

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SB198	Extends the deadline for issuing certain bonds relating to the property and natural resources of Nevada approved by the voters in 2002. (BDR S-494)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs - Heard; Do pass; Passed; To Assembly; Referred to Assembly Ways and Means; Heard; Do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to state financial administration; extending the deadline for the issuance of certain general obligation bonds to protect, preserve and obtain the benefits of the property and natural resources of this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support to extend the conservation bonds program until 2030. (VOTE: 4-0, Johnston absent)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:8-0, Young absent)
SB221	Revises provisions governing wildlife. (BDR 45-814)	Senators Denis and Hammond and Assemblyman Watkins **EXEMPT**	Natural Resources - Heard; Amend and do pass	AN ACT relating to wildlife; creating the Nevada Wildlife Public Education Council within the Department of Wildlife; prescribing the membership and duties of the Council; authorizing the Department to fund the activities of the Council from the Wildlife Heritage Account; requiring the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to maintain a list of qualified candidates for certain appointments to the Council; increasing the amount of money the Department may annually expend from the Account; authorizing the Department to request emergency funding from the Account if a catastrophic threat to wildlife or wildlife habitat occurs in this State; requiring the Commission to ensure that a certain minimum balance is maintained in the Account; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support the general concepts contained in Senate Bill 221 including the creation and activities of the Nevada Wildlife Public Education Council as well as the use of Heritage funds as proposed including the proportion changes, funding of the Council and emergency provisions contained within the bill. Also support the use of Heritage funds for the Council for a four year period as outlined in the bill as introduced. (VOTE: 4-0, Johnston absent)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:7-1, Young absent) UPDATE: Support the general concepts contained in the conceptual amendment adopted by the Senate Natural Resources Committee including the creation and activities of the Nevada Wildlife Public Education Committee as well as the use of Heritage funds as proposed including the proportion changes, funding of the Committee and emergency provisions contained within the bill. Also support the use of Heritage funds for the Committee for a four year period as outlined in the amendment. (VOTE: 8-0, Barnes absent)
SB364	Revises provisions governing the trapping or taking of certain animals. (BDR 45-107)	Senators Parks, Segerblom, Manendo, Spearman, Ratti and Woodhouse	Natural Resources - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to wildlife; amending the definition of "trap" to exclude certain devices; requiring the Department of Wildlife to develop standard language for certain signs required to be posted in areas in which trapping may occur; requiring the registration of each trap, snare or similar device used by a person in the taking of wild animals; requiring each registered trap to be marked in a certain manner; deleting provisions which declare that any information in the possession of the Department of Wildlife concerning the registration of a trap, snare or similar device is confidential; requiring the owner or occupant of private property who uses an unregistered trap, snare or similar device on the private property to register the trap, snare or similar device under certain circumstances; authorizing a person to remove or disturb a trap, snare or similar device under certain circumstances; requiring a person who takes or causes to be taken any wild mammals by means of a trap, snare or similar device to visit or cause to be visited the trap, snare or similar device at least once every 24 hours; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose the bill as introduced due to the following concerns: unintended consequences in regard to changing "wildlife" to "any animal," the lack of clarity on the signage requirements, applying someone's name and address to a trap in lieu of registration, tampering with traps when a person or animal is not caught in the trap, and the proposed 24 hour trap check time. (VOTE 5-0)	Oppose the conceptual amendment adopted by the Senate Natural Resources Committee due to the following concerns: unintended consequences in regard to changing "wildlife" to "any animal," the lack of clarity on the signage requirements, applying someone's name and address to a trap in lieu of registration, tampering with traps when a person or animal is not caught in the trap, and the lack of confidentiality of trap registration. The Commission supports their visitation regulations that have been adopted. (VOTE: 8-0, Barnes absent)
SB370	Revises provisions governing the transportation of game, hunters and hunting equipment. (BDR 45-206)	Senator Goicoechea	Natural Resources - Heard; Do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to hunting; making it unlawful to use an aircraft to transport game, hunters or hunting equipment under certain circumstances; requiring certain airports, airplane landing fields or heliports used in the transportation of game, hunters or hunting equipment to be accessible by a public road; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support the bill as written. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE: 7-0, Barnes and Young absent)
SB411	Authorizes a local government to establish a program for the managed care of feral cat colonies. (BDR 20-11)	Senator Manendo	Government Affairs - Heard; Amend and do pass; Passed; To Assembly	AN ACT relating to local governments; authorizing a board of county commissioners, the governing body of an incorporated city or the town board of an unincorporated town to establish a program for the managed care of feral cat colonies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose the expansion of feral cat colonies due to concerns related to predation on wildlife and potential disease transmission. (VOTE 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE: 7-0, Barnes and Young absent)

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SB511	Revises provisions governing boating and wildlife. (BDR 45-896)	Committee on Natural Resources EXEMPT	Natural Resources - Heard; Do pass; Referred to Senate Finance	AN ACT relating to licensing of outdoor activities; revising provisions governing applications for a license, tag or permit to hunt, fish or trap; revising the fees for the issuance of an apprentice hunting license; revising the period of validity of a fishing license, hunting license and combination hunting and fishing license; requiring a tag to hunt any bighorn sheep, moose, mountain lion or mountain goat; revising various other provisions governing the issuance of, and the payment of fees for, certain licenses and permits; requiring the Department of Wildlife to use a portion of the fees charged and collected for certain purposes relating to wildlife; authorizing the use of not more than two combinations of hook, line and rod by one person at any time; providing for the renewal of a certificate of number for a motorboat; revising provisions governing the issuance or renewal of a certificate of number and an aquatic invasive species decal; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Support the bill as introduced. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt a platform in support of license simplification. (VOTE: 9-0) UPDATE: Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE: 7-0, Barnes and Young absent)
SJR12	Rescinds Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 of the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature. (BDR R-999)	Committee on Natural Resources	Legislative Operations and Elections - Heard; Do pass; Passed; To Assembly	Rescinding Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 of the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature and expressing support for the retention of federal management and control of federal public lands in this State.	Support the resolution as written. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:7-0, Barnes and Young absent)
SJR13	Expresses the support of the Nevada Legislature for certain recommendations relating to the conservation of wildlife in this State. (BDR R-1000)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources - Heard; Do pass; Passed; To Assembly	Expressing the support of the Nevada Legislature for certain recommendations relating to the conservation of wildlife in this State.	Support the resolution as written. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:7-0, Barnes and Young absent)
BILLS THAT FAILED THE DEADLINE OF FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2017						
AB112	Requires the Legislative Auditor to conduct an audit of certain fees paid by applicants for game tags for predatory wildlife programs and activities. (BDR S-623)	Assemblyman Ellison	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to wildlife; requiring the Legislative Auditor to conduct an audit of the use of the revenue generated by certain fees paid by applicants for game tags for programs, activities and research relating to the management and control of predatory wildlife, and the protection of nonpredatory game animals and sensitive wildlife species; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	No position or platform at this time.
AB187	Revises provisions governing the membership of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners. (BDR 45-763)	Assemblywoman Cohen	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to wildlife; revising the qualifications of certain members of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to include representatives of the ecotourism industry; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose the bill and oppose any changes to the composition of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners. There is concern with the definition of ecotourism and the emphasis on economic activities. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:8-0, Young absent)
AB238	Enacts provisions relating to the importation, possession, sale, transfer and breeding of dangerous wild animals. (BDR 50-760)	Assemblywoman Cohen and Assemblymen Edwards, Fumo, Hambrick, and Kramer	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to animals; enacting provisions relating to the importation, possession, sale, transfer and breeding of dangerous wild animals; authorizing counties to enact certain ordinances regulating such animals; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose the bill until revised to avoid conflict with existing wildlife statutes and regulations and ask that the bill sponsor work with NDOW law enforcement to ensure proper changes are incorporated into any amendments. (VOTE: 4-0, Johnston absent)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:8-0, Young absent)
AB330	Revises provisions governing taxidermists. (BDR 45-26)	Assemblyman Hansen	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to taxidermy; requiring a licensed taxidermist to maintain certain written or computerized records and to perform certain other activities relating to taxidermy; limiting the circumstances under which a person is guilty of a misdemeanor for refusing to exhibit certain licenses or permits, wildlife or other items or for failing to have certain licenses or permits in his or her possession; revising provisions governing the inspection of the facilities of a licensed taxidermist; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	

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AB332	Creates the Licensing Review Panel. (BDR 45-882)	Assemblyman Hansen	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to wildlife; creating the Licensing Review Panel; providing for the membership of the Panel; setting forth the powers and duties of the Panel; requiring the Panel to conduct hearings and issue decisions concerning certain actions of the Department of Wildlife relating to licensing disputes; requiring a person who wishes to appeal a decision of the Department relating to a licensing dispute to submit a notice to the Panel; requiring the Panel to take certain actions concerning the licensing dispute; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	
AB363	Revises provisions governing off-highway vehicles. (BDR 43-89)	Assemblywoman Titus	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to off-highway vehicles; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to allow for the registration and renewal of registration of certain off-highway vehicles through the Internet website of the Department with limited exceptions; increasing the registration period for an off-highway vehicle from 1 year to 2 years; reducing the late fee imposed on a person who fails to renew the registration of an off-highway vehicle before expiration of the registration; providing for a waiver of the late fee in certain circumstances; revising provisions requiring the Department to expend certain money to administer the requirements for the titling and registration of off-highway vehicles; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	
AB373	Revises provisions relating to certain boards and commissions of the Executive Department of the State Government. (BDR 18-192)	Assemblywomen Swank and Cohen	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to State Government; revising provisions governing the membership of certain boards and commissions of the Executive Department of the State Government; authorizing the State Board of Education to conduct meetings via teleconference; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose any change to the composition of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners. (VOTE: 5-0)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:8-0, Young absent)
AB386	Revises provisions governing access to public lands. (BDR 26-1159)	Assemblyman Watkins	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to public lands; authorizing a person to enter private land at the geographic point that represents the corner of the parcel in order to lawfully enter public land under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	
AB443	Prohibits the Board of Wildlife Commissioners from adopting regulations which authorize a person to hunt black bears with a dog. (BDR 45-1052)	Assemblywoman Swank	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to wildlife; prohibiting the Board of Wildlife Commissioners from adopting regulations which authorize a person to hunt black bears with a dog of any breed; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose the bill as introduced. (VOTE 5-0)	
AB448	Revises provisions relating to the carrying of a loaded rifle or shotgun and the discharge of a firearm on certain highways and roads. (BDR 45-334)	Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to wildlife; authorizing a person, under certain circumstances, to carry a loaded rifle or loaded shotgun in or on a vehicle which is standing on or along, or is being driven on or along, a county road or a state highway or state route for the purpose of hunting certain species of wildlife; authorizing the discharge of a firearm upon, over or across a county road or a state highway or route for the purpose of hunting those species of wildlife under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.		
SB73	Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 48-177)	Committee on Natural Resources	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to water; revising certain provisions relating to domestic wells; declaring the policy of this State to manage conjunctively all sources of water in this State; revising certain provisions relating to groundwater management plans and critical management areas; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	No position or platform at this time.

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SB134	Revises provisions concerning water. (BDR 48-787)	Senators Ford and Goicoechea	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to water; authorizing the State Engineer to determine if a conflict between applicants for certain permits and existing holders of water rights and owners of domestic wells can be eliminated; authorizing the State Engineer to require an applicant for a permit to submit a monitoring, management and mitigation plan; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	No position or platform at this time.
SB231	Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 48-736)	Committee on Natural Resources	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to water; requiring the State Engineer to prepare a water budget and inventory of groundwater for each basin in this State; requiring an application for certain mining permits to include certain information relating to the use of water; requiring the State Engineer to post on the Internet certain information relating to the consumptive use of water by mining projects; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	No position or platform at this time.
SB263	Creates the Board to License Master Guides and Subguides within the Department of Wildlife. (BDR 45-208)	Senator Goicoechea and Assemblyman Ellison	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to wildlife; creating the Board to License Master Guides and Subguides within the Department of Wildlife; transferring to the Board the powers and duties of the Department of Wildlife governing the licensing and regulation of master guides and subguides; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose the bill as introduced until a clear need is clarified and how the board will address that need. (VOTE 5-0)	
SB269	Revises provisions relating to groundwater management plans. (BDR 48-367)	Committee on Natural Resources	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to water; authorizing the State Engineer to approve the inclusion of certain limitations, restrictions, requirements and other provisions in a groundwater management plan; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	No position or platform at this time.	
SB365	Makes various changes relating to trapping. (BDR 45-108)	Senators Parks, Manendo, Segerblom, Ratti, Spearman, Atkinson, Cannizzaro and Woodhouse	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to trapping; revising certain definitions; requiring certain reports or questionnaires returned to the Department of Wildlife by the holder of a trapping license to include a statement setting forth the amount of any profit obtained by the holder from trapping and the amount of any applicable sales tax collected; making it unlawful to trap any animal on public lands; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.	Oppose the bill as introduced and the proposed amendment presented by the Nevada Wildlife Alliance to implement a cost recovery model as this is a precedent that does not work within the existing framework of wildlife management. (VOTE 5-0)	
SB475	Clarifies the circumstances under which a barrier made of barbed wire is sufficient warning against trespassing. (BDR 15-335)	Committee on Judiciary	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	AN ACT relating to trespassing; clarifying the circumstances under which a barrier made of barbed wire is sufficient warning against trespassing; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.		
SJR11_78	Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to preserve the right to hunt, trap and fish in this State. (BDR C-1001)	Senators Hammond, Goicoechea, Gustavson, and Settelmeyer	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	Proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to preserve the right to hunt, trap and fish in this State.	Support the bill as written. (VOTE: 4-0, Johnston absent)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:6-2, Young absent)
SJR7	Urges Congress to enact legislation transferring title to certain public lands to the State of Nevada. (BDR R-841)	Senators Roberson, Goicoechea, Settelmeyer, Kieckhefer, Gustavson, Ganseri, Hammond, Hardy, Harris, Assemblymen Wheeler, Oscarson, Hansen, Ellison, Anderson, Edwards, Hambrick, Marchant, Pickard, Assemblywomen Titus, and Krasner	Failed Deadline of Friday, April 14, 2017	Urging Congress to enact legislation transferring title to certain public lands to the State of Nevada in accordance with the report prepared by the Nevada Land Management Task Force.	Oppose the bill and forward the Commission's letter to Congressman Amodei if a hearing is scheduled. (VOTE: 4-0, Johnston absent)	Adopt committee recommendation. (VOTE:8-0, Young absent)

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 101–ASSEMBLYMAN SPRINKLE

PREFILED FEBRUARY 3, 2017

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the management of wildlife. (BDR 45-187)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [~~omitted material~~] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to wildlife; requiring the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to establish policies for the conservation of certain wildlife; revising the authorized uses of the fees for the processing of an application for a game tag; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law, the Board of Wildlife Commissioners is required, after first considering the recommendations of the Department of Wildlife, the county advisory boards to manage wildlife and other persons, to establish policies for the management of big and small game mammals, upland and migratory game birds, fur-bearing mammals, game fish, and protected and unprotected mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians. (NRS 501.181) **Section 1** of this bill requires those policies to also include the conservation of those mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians.

Existing law requires a person applying for a game tag to pay an additional fee of $3 for processing the application. The money collected from those fees is required to be deposited in the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund and used by the Department of Wildlife for costs related to: (1) developing and implementing an annual program for the management and control of predatory wildlife; (2) wildlife management activities relating to the protection of nonpredatory game animals and sensitive wildlife species; and (3) conducting research necessary to determine successful techniques for managing and controlling predatory wildlife. (NRS 502.253) **Section 3** of this bill expands the purposes for which the proceeds from those fees are required to be used by adding programs for the management and enhancement of game mammals, adding wildlife management activities related to wildlife habitat and authorizing obtaining matching money from the Federal Government which is available for use for those programs and activities. **Section 3** also requires the Department of Wildlife to submit a report, on or before August 31 of each even-numbered year, to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature setting forth the expenditures

for the programs and activities carried out using the proceeds from those fees. **Section 4** of this bill specifies that the proceeds from those fees which are deposited for credit to the Wildlife Account on or after July 1, 2017, are only authorized to be used for the new purposes.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 501.181 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.181 The Commission shall:

1. Establish broad policies for:

(a) The protection, propagation, restoration, transplanting, introduction and management of wildlife in this State.

(b) The promotion of the safety of persons using or property used in the operation of vessels on the waters of this State.

(c) The promotion of uniformity of laws relating to policy matters.

2. Guide the Department in its administration and enforcement of the provisions of this title and of chapter 488 of NRS by the establishment of such policies.

3. Establish policies for areas of interest including:

(a) The ***conservation and*** management of big and small game mammals, upland and migratory game birds, fur-bearing mammals, game fish, and protected and unprotected mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians.

(b) The management and control of predatory wildlife.

(c) The acquisition of lands, water rights and easements and other property for the management, propagation, protection and restoration of wildlife.

(d) The entry, access to, and occupancy and use of such property, including leases of grazing rights, sales of agricultural products and requests by the Director to the State Land Registrar for the sale of timber if the sale does not interfere with the use of the property on which the timber is located for wildlife management or for hunting or fishing thereon.

(e) The control of nonresident hunters.

(f) The introduction, transplanting or exporting of wildlife.

(g) Cooperation with federal, state and local agencies on wildlife and boating programs.

(h) The revocation of licenses issued pursuant to this title to any person who is convicted of a violation of any provision of this title or any regulation adopted pursuant thereto.

4. Establish regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this title and of chapter 488 of NRS, including:

(a) Seasons for hunting game mammals and game birds, for hunting or trapping fur-bearing mammals and for fishing, the daily and possession limits, the manner and means of taking wildlife, including, but not limited to, the sex, size or other physical differentiation for each species, and, when necessary for management purposes, the emergency closing or extending of a season, reducing or increasing of the bag or possession limits on a species, or the closing of any area to hunting, fishing or trapping. If, in establishing any regulations pursuant to this subsection, the Commission rejects the recommendations of a county advisory board to manage wildlife with regard to the length of seasons for fishing, hunting and trapping or the bag or possession limits applicable within the respective county, the Commission shall provide to the county advisory board to manage wildlife at the meeting an explanation of the Commission's decision to reject the recommendations and, as soon as practicable after the meeting, a written explanation of the Commission's decision to reject the recommendations. Any regulations relating to the closure of a season must be based upon scientific data concerning the management of wildlife. The data upon which the regulations are based must be collected or developed by the Department.

(b) The manner of using, attaching, filling out, punching, inspecting, validating or reporting tags.

(c) The delineation of game management units embracing contiguous territory located in more than one county, irrespective of county boundary lines.

(d) The number of licenses issued for big game and, if necessary, other game species.

5. Adopt regulations requiring the Department to make public, before official delivery, its proposed responses to any requests by federal agencies for its comment on drafts of statements concerning the environmental effect of proposed actions or regulations affecting public lands.

6. Adopt regulations:

(a) Governing the provisions of the permit required by NRS 502.390 and for the issuance, renewal and revocation of such a permit.

(b) Establishing the method for determining the amount of an assessment, and the time and manner of payment, necessary for the collection of the assessment required by NRS 502.390.

7. Designate those portions of wildlife management areas for big game mammals that are of special concern for the regulation of the importation, possession and propagation of alternative livestock pursuant to NRS 576.129.

8. Adopt regulations governing the trapping of fur-bearing mammals in a residential area of a county whose population is 100,000 or more.

9. Adopt regulations prescribing the circumstances under which a person, regardless of whether the person has obtained a valid tag issued by the Department, may assist in the killing and retrieval of a wounded big game mammal by another person who:

(a) Is a paraplegic, has had one or both legs amputated or has suffered a paralysis of one or both legs which severely impedes the person's walking; and

(b) Has obtained a valid tag issued by the Department for hunting that animal.

10. In establishing any policy or adopting any regulations pursuant to this section, first consider the recommendations of the Department, the county advisory boards to manage wildlife and other persons who present their views at an open meeting of the Commission.

Sec. 2. NRS 501.356 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.356 1. Money received by the Department from:

(a) The sale of licenses;

(b) Fees pursuant to the provisions of NRS 488.075 and 488.1795;

(c) Remittances from the State Treasurer pursuant to the provisions of NRS 365.535;

(d) Appropriations made by the Legislature; and

(e) All other sources, including, without limitation, the Federal Government, except money derived from the forfeiture of any property described in NRS 501.3857 or money deposited in the Wildlife Heritage Account pursuant to NRS 501.3575, the Wildlife Trust Fund pursuant to NRS 501.3585, the Energy Planning and Conservation Account created by NRS 701.630 or the Account for the Recovery of Costs created by NRS 701.640,

➥ must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund.

2. The interest and income earned on the money in the Wildlife Account, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the Account.

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 and NRS 503.597, the Department may use money in the Wildlife Account only to carry out the provisions of this title and chapter 488 of NRS and as provided in NRS 365.535, and the money must not be diverted to any other use.

4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 502.250, *502.253,* 502.410 and 504.155, all fees for the sale or issuance of stamps, tags, permits and licenses that are required to be deposited in the

Wildlife Account pursuant to the provisions of this title and any matching money received by the Department from any source must be accounted for separately and must be used:

(a) Only for the protection, propagation and management of wildlife; and

(b) If the fee is for the sale or issuance of a license, permit or tag other than a tag specified in subsection 5 or 6 of NRS 502.250, under the guidance of the Commission pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 501.181.

Sec. 3. NRS 502.253 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.253 1. In addition to any fee charged and collected pursuant to NRS 502.250, a fee of $3 must be charged for processing each application for a game tag, the revenue from which must be accounted for separately, deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund and used by the Department for costs related *solely* to:

(a) Developing and implementing an annual program for the management and control of predatory wildlife ~~[;]~~ *and the management and enhancement of game mammals;*

(b) Wildlife management activities relating to the protection of nonpredatory game animals , ~~[and]~~ sensitive wildlife species ~~[;]~~ and *related wildlife habitat;*

(c) Conducting research necessary to determine successful techniques for managing and controlling predatory wildlife ~~[.]~~ *; and*

(d) Obtaining matching money from the Federal Government which is available for use in developing and carrying out the programs and activities described in paragraphs (a) and (b).

2. The Department of Wildlife is hereby authorized to expend a portion of the money collected pursuant to subsection 1 to enable the State Department of Agriculture to develop and carry out the programs described in subsection 1.

3. Any program developed or wildlife management activity or research conducted pursuant to this section must be developed or conducted under the guidance of the Commission in accordance with the ~~[provisions of subsection 4 and the]~~ policies adopted by the Commission pursuant to NRS 501.181.

4. The Department ~~[:~~

~~(a) In]~~ , *in* adopting any program ~~[for the management and control of predatory wildlife]~~ developed pursuant to this section, shall first consider the recommendations of the Commission . ~~[and the State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee created by NRS 567.020.~~

~~(b) Shall not adopt any program for the management and control of predatory wildlife developed pursuant to this section that provides for the expenditure of less than 80 percent of the amount of~~

~~money collected pursuant to subsection 1 in the most recent fiscal year for which the Department has complete information for the purposes of lethal management and control of predatory wildlife.]~~

5. The money in the Wildlife Account credited pursuant to this section remains in the Account and does not revert to the State General Fund at the end of any fiscal year.

6. On or before August 31 of each even-numbered year, the Department shall submit a report setting forth the expenditures from the proceeds of the fee collected pursuant to this section and credited to the Wildlife Account pursuant to this section to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature.

7. The report submitted pursuant to subsection 6 must, for each program or activity implemented pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 1, specify:

(a) The expenditures made for the program or activity;

(b) The number and species of any wildlife killed as a result of the program or activity;

(c) Any benefit from the program or activity which is statistically significant;

(d) The performance and outcome indicators used to evaluate and measure the effectiveness of the program or activity, including, without limitation, the methods used to track the performance and outcome indicators; and

(e) A summary of the effectiveness of the program or activity in achieving the goals of the program or activity.

Sec. 4. Any money deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund pursuant to NRS 502.253 before July 1, 2017, may only be used on or after that date for a purpose specified in NRS 502.253, as amended by section 3 of this act.

Sec. 4.5. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

Sec. 5. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

(Reprinted with amendments adopted on April 21, 2017)
FIRST REPRINT **S.B. 221**

SENATE BILL NO. 221–SENATORS DENIS AND HAMMOND

FEBRUARY 27, 2017

JOINT SPONSOR: ASSEMBLYMAN WATKINS

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing wildlife. (BDR 45-814)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [~~omitted material~~] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to wildlife; creating the Nevada Wildlife Public Education Committee within the Board of Wildlife Commissioners; prescribing the membership and duties of the Committee; authorizing the Department of Wildlife to fund the activities of the Committee from the Wildlife Heritage Account; requiring the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to maintain a list of qualified candidates for appointment to the Committee; increasing the amount of money the Department may annually expend from the Account; authorizing the Department to request emergency funding from the Account if a catastrophic threat to wildlife or wildlife habitat occurs in this State; requiring the Commission to ensure that a certain minimum balance is maintained in the Account; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides for the management of wildlife in this State, including the regulation of hunting, fishing, trapping and the taking of game. (Title 45 of NRS) **Section 3** of this bill creates the Nevada Wildlife Public Education Committee within the Board of Wildlife Commissioners and prescribes the composition of the members of the Committee. **Section 5** of this bill requires the Committee, in cooperation with the Department of Wildlife, to develop and carry out a public information program to educate, promote and engage the residents of this State concerning the responsible stewardship of wildlife in this State. **Section 5**

further requires the Committee to prepare an operational plan to meet the future goals of the Committee and to report certain information to the Department and the Board of Wildlife Commissioners. **Sections 6, 9 and 10** of this bill authorize the Department to fund the activities of the Committee from the Wildlife Heritage Account. **Section 9** also: (1) increases the amount of money that the Department may annually expend from the Wildlife Heritage Account; (2) authorizes the Department to request emergency funding from the Account if a catastrophic threat to wildlife or wildlife habitat occurs in this State; and (3) requires the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to ensure that a certain minimum balance is maintained in the Account. **Section 8** of this bill requires the Commission to maintain a list of qualified candidates for appointment to the Committee.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 501 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 2. *"Committee" means the Nevada Wildlife Public Education Committee created by section 3 of this act.*

Sec. 3. *1. There is hereby created within the Commission the Nevada Wildlife Public Education Committee. The Committee consists of the following seven members appointed by the Chair of the Commission with the advice of the Director:*

(a) One member of the Commission or his or her designee;

(b) Three residents of this State who are selected from the list of candidates compiled pursuant to subsection 10 of NRS 501.181;

(c) One resident of this State who represents small businesses that are substantially affected by recreational activities relating to wildlife in this State;

(d) One resident of this State who is not an employee of the Department and who has a background in media or marketing sufficient to advise the Committee in carrying out its duties pursuant to section 5 of this act; and

(e) One resident of this State who actively engages in watching or observing wildlife in this State.

2. The Chair of the Commission shall, to the extent practicable, ensure that the membership of the Committee represents all geographic areas of this State.

3. After the initial terms, each member of the Committee serves a term of 4 years.

4. A vacancy in the membership of the Committee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

5. A member of the Committee may be reappointed, but must not serve more than two full terms.

6. Each member of the Committee:

(a) Serves without compensation; and

(b) While engaged in the business of the Committee, is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

7. The Chair of the Commission may remove any member of the Committee for just cause or any ground for removal of a member of the Commission set forth in NRS 501.172.

Sec. 4. *1. At the first meeting of the Committee, the Committee shall adopt any rules and policies that are necessary to assist the Committee in carrying out its duties. The Chair of the Commission shall select from among the members of the Commission a Chair of the Committee. The Committee shall elect from among its members any other officers considered necessary or appropriate by the Committee. Upon the expiration of the term of an officer elected pursuant to this subsection, the Committee shall, at the next subsequent meeting of the Committee, elect an officer to fill the vacated position.*

2. The Committee shall meet at least once each calendar quarter and at other times upon the call of the Chair or a majority of its members.

3. A majority of the members of the Committee constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a quorum may exercise any power or authority conferred on the Committee.

4. Meetings of the Committee must be conducted in accordance with chapter 241 of NRS.

5. Except as otherwise provided by a specific statute, the documents and other information compiled by the Committee in the course of its business are public records.

6. The Department shall provide the Committee with administrative support to comply with the provisions of chapter 241 of NRS.

Sec. 5. *1. The Committee shall, in cooperation with the Department:*

(a) Develop and carry out, in collaboration with a marketing or advertising agency, an effective and comprehensive media-based public information program to educate, promote and engage the residents of this State concerning the responsible stewardship of wildlife in this State, including, without limitation, identifying:

(1) The essential role and contribution of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation in restoring, protecting and enhancing all wildlife resources in this State;

(2) The history of wildlife in this State;

(3) The benefits of wildlife to the residents of this State;

(4) The benefits of managing wildlife in this State;

(5) The recreational opportunities provided by wildlife in this State;

(6) The significant value of fish and game as a source of food; and

(7) The economic benefit of wildlife to communities and tourism in this State.

(b) Not later than 120 days after the Committee's first meeting of each year, and subject to the approval of the Director, prepare an operational plan with strategic goals and milestones in furtherance of the duties of the Committee.

(c) Prepare a request for proposals for the purpose of selecting a marketing or advertising agency.

(d) Establish criteria for grading and selecting a marketing or advertising agency based on the submission of proposals.

(e) Conduct surveys for the purpose of developing a marketing campaign and determining the effectiveness of a campaign.

2. The Committee shall prepare, review and approve each annual budget for the Committee and review any periodic financial reports provided by the Department that are related to the activities of the Committee.

3. The Committee shall, on or before January 31 of each even-numbered year, prepare and submit a report to the Director and the Commission setting forth:

(a) The operational plan prepared pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 and each public information program developed and carried out pursuant to that subsection;

(b) A financial accounting of the subaccount created pursuant to section 6 of this act; and

(c) Any recommendations concerning the Committee.

4. As used in this section, "North American Model of Wildlife Conservation" means a common set of principles used as a model to guide decisions relating to the conservation and management of wildlife in the United States, including, without limitation:

(a) The conservation and management of wildlife as a resource held in public trust and as an international resource;

(b) The elimination of markets for game mammals;

(c) The allocation of wildlife based upon laws and regulations;

(d) The killing of wildlife only for a legitimate purpose;

(e) The use of scientific methods in the conservation and management of wildlife; and

(f) The conservation and management of wildlife based upon democratic principles.

Sec. 6. *1. Any money transferred from the Wildlife Heritage Account pursuant to NRS 501.3575 or received pursuant to subsection 2 must be accounted for separately in a separate subaccount of the Account and used to fund the activities of the Committee pursuant to this section. The Commission shall administer the subaccount created pursuant to this section. Any interest and income earned on the money in the subaccount must be credited to the subaccount.*

2. The Commission or the Committee may apply for and accept any available grants and may accept any bequests, devises, donations or gifts from any public or private source to fund the activities of the Committee.

3. Any money specified in subsections 1 and 2 must be used for the activities of the Committee. Except as otherwise provided by law or by the terms of any grant, bequest, devise, donation or gift, any money remaining in the subaccount at the end of a fiscal year does not revert to the Wildlife Heritage Account or the State General Fund and must be carried over to the next fiscal year.

4. The Committee shall approve expenditures from the subaccount by appropriation:

(a) To support the public information program developed pursuant to section 5 of this act and to pay any costs incurred by the Commission in administering the provisions of sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act, but such costs must not exceed 20 percent of the annual appropriations from the subaccount;

(b) In accordance with the operational plan prepared pursuant to section 5 of this act and within the scope of any activities and amounts of funding authorized pursuant to the operational plan; and

(c) To comply with any requirements to obtain any aid or benefits pursuant to NRS 501.115 and 501.117.

Sec. 7. NRS 501.001 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.001 As used in this title, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 501.003 to 501.097, inclusive, *and section 2 of this act* have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

Sec. 8. NRS 501.181 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.181 The Commission shall:

1. Establish broad policies for:

(a) The protection, propagation, restoration, transplanting, introduction and management of wildlife in this State.

(b) The promotion of the safety of persons using or property used in the operation of vessels on the waters of this State.

(c) The promotion of uniformity of laws relating to policy matters.

2. Guide the Department in its administration and enforcement of the provisions of this title and of chapter 488 of NRS by the establishment of such policies.

3. Establish policies for areas of interest including:

(a) The management of big and small game mammals, upland and migratory game birds, fur-bearing mammals, game fish, and protected and unprotected mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians.

(b) The management and control of predatory wildlife.

(c) The acquisition of lands, water rights and easements and other property for the management, propagation, protection and restoration of wildlife.

(d) The entry, access to, and occupancy and use of such property, including leases of grazing rights, sales of agricultural products and requests by the Director to the State Land Registrar for the sale of timber if the sale does not interfere with the use of the property on which the timber is located for wildlife management or for hunting or fishing thereon.

(e) The control of nonresident hunters.

(f) The introduction, transplanting or exporting of wildlife.

(g) Cooperation with federal, state and local agencies on wildlife and boating programs.

(h) The revocation of licenses issued pursuant to this title to any person who is convicted of a violation of any provision of this title or any regulation adopted pursuant thereto.

4. Establish regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this title and of chapter 488 of NRS, including:

(a) Seasons for hunting game mammals and game birds, for hunting or trapping fur-bearing mammals and for fishing, the daily and possession limits, the manner and means of taking wildlife, including, but not limited to, the sex, size or other physical differentiation for each species, and, when necessary for management purposes, the emergency closing or extending of a season, reducing or increasing of the bag or possession limits on a species, or the closing of any area to hunting, fishing or trapping. If, in establishing any regulations pursuant to this subsection, the Commission rejects the recommendations of a county advisory board to manage wildlife with regard to the length of seasons for fishing, hunting and trapping or the bag or possession limits applicable within the respective county, the Commission shall provide to the county advisory board to manage wildlife at the meeting an explanation of the Commission's decision to reject the recommendations and, as soon as practicable after the meeting, a written explanation of the Commission's decision to reject the recommendations. Any regulations relating to the closure of a

season must be based upon scientific data concerning the management of wildlife. The data upon which the regulations are based must be collected or developed by the Department.

(b) The manner of using, attaching, filling out, punching, inspecting, validating or reporting tags.

(c) The delineation of game management units embracing contiguous territory located in more than one county, irrespective of county boundary lines.

(d) The number of licenses issued for big game and, if necessary, other game species.

5. Adopt regulations requiring the Department to make public, before official delivery, its proposed responses to any requests by federal agencies for its comment on drafts of statements concerning the environmental effect of proposed actions or regulations affecting public lands.

6. Adopt regulations:

(a) Governing the provisions of the permit required by NRS 502.390 and for the issuance, renewal and revocation of such a permit.

(b) Establishing the method for determining the amount of an assessment, and the time and manner of payment, necessary for the collection of the assessment required by NRS 502.390.

7. Designate those portions of wildlife management areas for big game mammals that are of special concern for the regulation of the importation, possession and propagation of alternative livestock pursuant to NRS 576.129.

8. Adopt regulations governing the trapping of fur-bearing mammals in a residential area of a county whose population is 100,000 or more.

9. Adopt regulations prescribing the circumstances under which a person, regardless of whether the person has obtained a valid tag issued by the Department, may assist in the killing and retrieval of a wounded big game mammal by another person who:

(a) Is a paraplegic, has had one or both legs amputated or has suffered a paralysis of one or both legs which severely impedes the person's walking; and

(b) Has obtained a valid tag issued by the Department for hunting that animal.

10. ***Maintain a list of candidates qualified for appointment to the Committee that is compiled from recommendations made by any established Nevada organization for sportsmen and sportswomen and the county advisory boards to manage wildlife. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Commission shall not include a person on the list of candidates unless the person has been a resident of this State for at least 5 years and has***

held a hunting, fishing or trapping license, or any combination of those licenses, in this State for at least 3 of the immediately preceding 5 years. The Committee may waive the required period of residency and the period for holding any of those licenses for a member of the Committee appointed pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of section 3 of this act.

11. In establishing any policy or adopting any regulations pursuant to this section, first consider the recommendations of the Department, the county advisory boards to manage wildlife and other persons who present their views at an open meeting of the Commission.

Sec. 9. NRS 501.3575 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.3575 1. The Wildlife Heritage Account is hereby created in the State General Fund. The money in the Account must be used by the Department as provided in this section for:

(a) The protection, propagation, restoration, transplantation, introduction and management of any game fish, game mammal, game bird or fur-bearing mammal in this State; ~~[and]~~

(b) The management and control of predatory wildlife in this State ~~[.]~~ *; and*

(c) Funding the activities of the Committee.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 502.250, money received by the Department from:

(a) A bid, auction, Silver State Tag Drawing or Partnership in Wildlife Drawing conducted pursuant to NRS 502.250; and

(b) A gift of money made by any person to the Wildlife Heritage Account,

➥ must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Account.

3. ~~[The]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 6 of this act, the* interest and income earned on the money in the Wildlife Heritage Account, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the Account.

4. *For the period beginning on July 1, 2017, and ending on June 30, 2021, and except as otherwise provided in this subsection, to fund the activities of the Committee, the Commission may periodically transfer money from the principal in the Wildlife Heritage Account to the subaccount specified in section 6 of this act. The amount of money transferred during that period pursuant to this subsection must not exceed $2,000,000.*

5. The Department may annually expend from the Wildlife Heritage Account an amount of money not greater than ~~[75]~~ *80* percent of the money deposited in the Account pursuant to subsection 2 during the previous year and the total amount of

interest earned on the money in the Account during the previous year. ~~[The]~~

6. If, as determined by the Department, a catastrophic threat to wildlife or wildlife habitat occurs in this State, the Department may request emergency funding in an amount of money not more than 50 percent of the amount of principal in the Wildlife Heritage Account, adjusted for any outstanding commitments previously made but not paid at the time of the request.

7. The Commission shall ensure that a minimum adjusted principal balance of at least $3,000,000 is maintained at all times in the Wildlife Heritage Account.

8. If, for any reason, the adjusted principal balance in the Wildlife Heritage Account falls below $5,000,000, any funding pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 4 must be reduced to not greater than 15 percent and any expenditures pursuant to subsection 5 must be reduced to not greater than 75 percent until an adjusted principal balance of at least $5,000,000 is achieved for the Account.

9. Except for expenditures made pursuant to subsection 4 and subsection 4 of section 6 of this act, the Commission shall review and approve expenditures from the Account ~~[. No]~~ *, and no* money may be expended from the Account without the prior approval of the Commission.

~~[5.]~~ *10.* The Commission shall administer the provisions of this section and may adopt any regulations necessary for that purpose.

Sec. 10. NRS 501.3575 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.3575 1. The Wildlife Heritage Account is hereby created in the State General Fund. The money in the Account must be used by the Department as provided in this section for:

(a) The protection, propagation, restoration, transplantation, introduction and management of any game fish, game mammal, game bird or fur-bearing mammal in this State;

(b) The management and control of predatory wildlife in this State; and

(c) Funding the activities of the Committee.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 502.250, money received by the Department from:

(a) A bid, auction, Silver State Tag Drawing or Partnership in Wildlife Drawing conducted pursuant to NRS 502.250; and

(b) A gift of money made by any person to the Wildlife Heritage Account,

➥ must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Account.

3. Except as otherwise provided in section 6 of this act, the interest and income earned on the money in the Wildlife Heritage

Account, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the Account.

4. ~~[For the period beginning on July 1, 2017, and ending on June 30, 2021, and except as otherwise provided in this subsection, to]~~ *To* fund the activities of the Committee, the Commission may periodically transfer money from the principal in the Wildlife Heritage Account to the subaccount specified in section 6 of this act. ~~[The amount of money transferred during that period pursuant to this subsection must not exceed $2,000,000]~~

5. The Department may annually expend from the Wildlife Heritage Account an amount of money not greater than 80 percent of the money deposited in the Account pursuant to subsection 2 during the previous year and the total amount of interest earned on the money in the Account during the previous year.

6. If, as determined by the Department, a catastrophic threat to wildlife or wildlife habitat occurs in this State, the Department may request emergency funding in an amount of money not more than 50 percent of the amount of principal in the Wildlife Heritage Account, adjusted for any outstanding commitments previously made but not paid at the time of the request.

7. The Commission shall ensure that a minimum adjusted principal balance of at least $3,000,000 is maintained at all times in the Wildlife Heritage Account.

8. If, for any reason, the adjusted principal balance in the Wildlife Heritage Account falls below $5,000,000, any funding pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 4 must be reduced to not greater than 15 percent and any expenditures pursuant to subsection 5 must be reduced to not greater than 75 percent until an adjusted principal balance of at least $5,000,000 is achieved for the Account.

9. Except for expenditures made pursuant to subsection 4 and subsection 4 of section 6 of this act, the Commission shall review and approve expenditures from the Account, and no money may be expended from the Account without the prior approval of the Commission.

10. The Commission shall administer the provisions of this section and may adopt any regulations necessary for that purpose.

Sec. 11. 1. The Chair of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners shall:

(a) Appoint the initial members of the Nevada Wildlife Public Education Committee created by section 3 of this act in accordance with subsection 1 of section 3 of this act not later than October 1, 2017.

(b) Call the first meeting of the Committee, which must take place on or before December 31, 2017.

2. At the first meeting of the Committee, the members initially appointed by the Chair of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners pursuant to subsection 1 shall choose their initial terms by lot, in the following manner:

(a) Two members to serve for terms of 2 years;

(b) Two members to serve for terms of 3 years; and

(c) Two members to serve for terms of 4 years.

Sec. 12. 1. This section and sections 1 to 9, inclusive, and 11 of this act become effective on July 1, 2017.

2. Section 10 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2021.

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SENATE BILL NO. 364–SENATORS PARKS, SEGERBLOM, MANENDO, SPEARMAN; RATTI AND WOODHOUSE

MARCH 20, 2017

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the trapping or taking of certain animals. (BDR 45-107)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [~~omitted material~~] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to wildlife; amending the definition of "trap" to exclude certain devices; requiring the Department of Wildlife to develop standard language for certain signs required to be posted in areas in which trapping may occur; requiring, with limited exception, each trap, snare or similar device used by a person in the taking of wild animals which is not registered with the Department, to bear the name and address of the owner; revising the fee to register a trap, snare or similar device; deleting provisions which declare that any information in the possession of the Department concerning the registration of a trap, snare or similar device is confidential; authorizing a person to remove or disturb a trap, snare or similar device under certain circumstances; requiring a person who takes or causes to be taken any wild mammals by means of a trap, snare or similar device to visit or cause to be visited the trap, snare or similar device at least once every 96 hours; revoking the authority of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to establish regulations setting forth the frequency a trap, snare or similar device must be visited; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law defines the term "trap" for purposes of title 45 of NRS governing wildlife to mean a device that is designed, built or made to close upon or hold fast any portion of an animal. (NRS 501.089) **Section 1** of this bill specifies that the term does not include: (1) any cage or box trap, net or suitcase-type live beaver trap; or (2) any device that is designed, built or made to close upon or hold fast certain vertebrate pests, such as mice and rats.

Existing law defines the terms "to trap," "trapping" and "trapped" for purposes of title 45 of NRS governing wildlife to mean to set or operate any device, mechanism or contraption that is designed, built or made to close upon or hold fast any wildlife and every act of assistance to any person in so doing. (NRS 501.090) Existing law defines the term "wildlife" to mean any wild mammal, wild bird, fish, reptile, amphibian, mollusk or crustacean found naturally in a wild state, whether indigenous to Nevada or not and whether raised in captivity or not. (NRS 501.097) **Section 2** of this bill amends the definition of the words "to trap," "trapping" and "trapped" to delete the term "wildlife" and substitute the term "animal."

Section 3 of this bill requires the Department of Wildlife to develop standard language for inclusion in any sign that is used to warn a person that trapping may occur in any area of this State. **Section 3** also requires each state agency which manages any public land in this State in which trapping may occur to ensure that each sign: (1) includes any standard language developed by the Department; and (2) is posted in certain locations specified by the Department.

Existing law authorizes each trap, snare or similar device used by a person in the taking of wild mammals to be registered with the Department of Wildlife before it is used. Existing law also requires each registered trap, snare or similar device to bear a number which is assigned by the Department. A registration fee of $10 for each registrant is payable only once by each person who registers a trap, snare or similar device. Any information in the possession of the Department concerning the registration of a trap, snare or similar device is confidential. (NRS 503.452) **Section 5** of this bill requires, with limited exception, that a trap, snare or similar device used by a person in the taking of wild mammals that is not registered with the Department must bear the name and address of the person who owns the trap, snare or similar device. **Section 5** also: (1) requires the number assigned by the Department for a registered trap, snare or similar device or the name and address of the person who owns an unregistered trap, snare or similar device to be clearly stamped on the trap, snare or similar device or on a metal tag which is attached to the trap, snare or similar device; and (2) deletes the provisions of existing law which declare that any information in the possession of the Department concerning the registration of a trap, snare or similar device is confidential. **Section 5** further revises the fee to register a trap, snare or similar device from $10 per person who registers a trap to $5 per trap, snare or similar device. **Section 8** of this bill makes a conforming change.

Existing law makes it unlawful to remove or disturb the trap, snare or similar device of a holder of a trapping license while the trap, snare or similar device is being legally used by the holder. (NRS 503.454) **Section 6** of this bill authorizes a person to: (1) remove or disturb the trap, snare or similar device if it creates an immediate risk of physical injury or death to a person or animal; and (2) release any person or animal accompanying the person from a trap, snare or similar device in which the person or animal is caught. **Section 4** of this bill makes a conforming change.

Existing law requires a person who takes or causes to be taken any wild mammals by means of a trap, snare or similar device which does not, or is not designed to, cause immediate death to the mammals to visit the trap, snare or similar device at a frequency specified in regulations adopted by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners. (NRS 503.570) **Section 7** of this bill requires a person

who takes or causes to be taken any wild mammals by means of any trap, snare or similar device, regardless of whether the trap, snare or similar device causes immediate death to the mammals, to visit the trap, snare or similar device at least once every 96 hours. **Section 7** also eliminates the authority of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to establish regulations setting forth the frequency at which a person must visit a trap, snare or similar device. **Section 8.5** of this bill provides that until the Legislature acts to change the frequency by which a person must visit a trap, snare or similar device, the regulation established by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners as it exists on July 1, 2017, shall remain in effect. (NAC 503.152)

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 501.089 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.089 "Trap" means a device that is designed, built or made to close upon or hold fast any portion of an animal. *The term does not include:*

1. Any cage or box trap, net or suitcase-type live beaver trap; or

2. Any device that is designed, built or made to close upon or hold fast any vertebrate pest as defined in NRS 555.005.

Sec. 2. NRS 501.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.090 The words "to trap" and their derivatives, "trapping" and "trapped," mean to set or operate any device, mechanism or contraption that is designed, built or made to close upon or hold fast any ~~[wildlife]~~ *animal* and every act of assistance to any person in so doing.

Sec. 3. Chapter 503 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. Each state agency which manages any public land in this State in which trapping may occur shall ensure that each sign for which the Department develops standard language pursuant to subsection 2 includes that language and is posted:

(a) At each visitor center, kiosk, trailhead or other location specified by the Department; and

(b) In a place in which the sign is readily observable by members of the public at the visitor center, kiosk, trailhead or other location.

2. The Department shall:

(a) Develop standard language for inclusion in any sign that is used to warn a person that trapping may occur in any area in this State; and

(b) Develop the standard language specified in paragraph (a) in cooperation with each federal or state agency which manages any public land in this State in which trapping may occur.

Sec. 4. NRS 503.015 is hereby amended to read as follows:

503.015 1. ~~[It]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 503.454, it* is unlawful for a person, or a group of people acting together, to intentionally interfere with another person who is lawfully hunting or trapping. For the purpose of this subsection, hunting or trapping is "lawful" only if permitted by the owner or person in possession of the land, other than the government, in addition to any requirement of license or permit from a public authority.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to any incidental interference arising from lawful activity by users of the public land, including without limitation ranchers, miners or persons seeking lawful recreation.

Sec. 5. NRS 503.452 is hereby amended to read as follows:

503.452 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~[subsection 2,]~~ *subsections 2 and 3,* each trap, snare or similar device used by a person in the taking of wild mammals ~~[may]~~ *must* be registered with the Department before it is used. Each registered trap, snare or similar device must bear a number which is assigned by the Department and is ~~[affixed to or marked]~~ *clearly stamped* on the trap, snare or similar device ~~[in the manner specified by regulations adopted by the Commission.]~~ *or on a metal tag that is attached to the trap, snare or similar device.* The registration of a trap, snare or similar device is valid until the trap, snare or similar device is sold or ownership of the trap, snare or similar device is otherwise transferred. *For each trap, snare or similar device registered with the Department, the person registering the trap, snare or similar device must pay a registration fee of $5.*

2. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if a trap, snare or similar device is not registered with the Department pursuant to subsection 1, before it can be used in the taking of wild animals, it must have the name and address of the person who owns the trap, snare or similar device:*

(a) Clearly stamped upon the trap, snare or similar device; or

(b) On a metal tag that is attached to the trap, snare or similar device.

3. The provisions of ~~[subsection]~~ *subsections* 1 *and 2* do not apply to a trap, snare or similar device used:

(a) Exclusively on private property which is posted or fenced in accordance with the provisions of NRS 207.200 by the owner or occupant of the property or with the permission of the owner or occupant;

(b) For the control of rodents by an institution of the Nevada System of Higher Education;

(c) By any federal, state or local governmental agency; or

(d) For the taking of wild mammals for scientific or educational purposes under a permit issued by the Department pursuant to NRS 503.650.

3. ~~[A registration fee of $10 for each registrant is payable only once by each person who registers a trap, snare or similar device. The fee must be paid at the time the first trap, snare or similar device is registered.~~

~~4.]~~ It is unlawful:

(a) For a person to whom a trap, snare or similar device is registered to allow another person to possess or use the trap, snare or similar device without providing to that person written authorization to possess or use the trap, snare or similar device.

(b) For a person to possess or use a trap, snare or similar device registered to another person without obtaining the written authorization required pursuant to paragraph (a). If a person obtains written authorization to possess or use a trap, snare or similar device pursuant to paragraph (a), the person shall ensure that the written authorization, together with his or her trapping license, is in his or her possession during any period in which he or she uses the trap, snare or similar device to take fur-bearing mammals.

~~[5.]~~ *4.* A person to whom a trap, snare or similar device is registered pursuant to this section shall report any theft of the trap, snare or similar device to the Department as soon as it is practical to do so after the person discovers the theft.

~~[6. Any information in the possession of the Department concerning the registration of a]~~

5. If a trap, snare or similar device ~~[is confidential and the Department shall not disclose that information unless required to do so by law or court order.]~~ ***has been used exclusively on private property pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 3, before the trap, snare or similar device is used on any public land in this State, the owner of the trap, snare or similar device must:***

(a) Register the trap, snare or similar device pursuant to subsection 1; or

(b) Pursuant to subsection 2, have his or her name and address:

(1) Clearly stamped on the trap, snare or similar device; or

(2) On a metal tag that is attached to the trap, snare or similar device.

Sec. 6. NRS 503.454 is hereby amended to read as follows:

503.454 1. Every person who takes fur-bearing mammals by trap, snare or similar device or unprotected mammals by trapping or sells raw furs for profit shall procure a trapping license.

2. ~~[It]~~ ***Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, it*** is unlawful to remove or disturb the trap, snare or similar device of

any holder of a trapping license while the trap, snare or similar device is being legally used by the holder on public land or on land where the holder has permission to trap.

3. A person may:

(a) Remove or disturb a trap, snare or similar device if the trap, snare or similar device creates an immediate risk of physical injury or death to any person or animal accompanying a person.

(b) Release any person or animal accompanying a person from a trap, snare or similar device in which the person or animal is caught.

Sec. 7. NRS 503.570 is hereby amended to read as follows:

503.570 1. A person taking or causing to be taken wild mammals by means of traps, snares or similar devices ~~[which do not, or are not designed to, cause immediate death to the mammals, shall, if the traps, snares or similar devices are placed or set to take mammals,]~~ *shall* visit or cause to be visited each trap, snare or similar device ~~[at a frequency specified in regulations adopted by the Commission pursuant to subsection 3]~~ *at least once every 96 hours beginning at and* during all of the time the trap, snare or similar device is placed, set or used to take wild mammals, and remove therefrom any ~~[mammals]~~ *animal* caught therein.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to employees of the State Department of Agriculture or the United States Department of Agriculture when acting in their official capacities.

3. The Commission ~~[shall]~~ *may not* adopt regulations setting forth the frequency at which a person who takes or causes to be taken wild mammals by means of traps, snares or similar devices ~~[which do not, or are not designed to, cause immediate death to the mammals]~~ must visit a trap, snare or similar device. ~~[The regulations must require the person to visit a trap, snare or similar device at least once each 96 hours. In adopting the regulations, the Commission shall consider requiring a trap, snare or similar device placed in close proximity to a populated or heavily used area by persons to be visited more frequently than a trap, snare or similar device which is not placed in close proximity to such an area.]~~

Sec. 8. NRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

239.010 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 1.4683, 1.4687, 1A.110, 41.071, 49.095, 62D.420, 62D.440, 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025, 62H.030, 62H.170, 62H.220, 62H.320, 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152, 80.113, 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413, 87A.200, 87A.580, 87A.640, 88.3355, 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345, 88A.7345, 89.045, 89.251, 90.730, 91.160, 116.757, 116A.270, 116B.880, 118B.026, 119.260, 119.265, 119.267, 119.280, 119A.280, 119A.653, 119B.370, 119B.382, 120A.690, 125.130, 125B.140, 126.141, 126.161,

126.163, 126.730, 127.007, 127.057, 127.130, 127.140, 127.2817, 130.312, 130.712, 136.050, 159.044, 172.075, 172.245, 176.015, 176.0625, 176.09129, 176.156, 176A.630, 178.39801, 178.4715, 178.5691, 179.495, 179A.070, 179A.165, 179A.450, 179D.160, 200.3771, 200.3772, 200.5095, 200.604, 202.3662, 205.4651, 209.392, 209.3925, 209.419, 209.521, 211A.140, 213.010, 213.040, 213.095, 213.131, 217.105, 217.110, 217.464, 217.475, 218A.350, 218E.625, 218F.150, 218G.130, 218G.240, 218G.350, 228.270, 228.450, 228.495, 228.570, 231.069, 231.1473, 233.190, 237.300, 239.0105, 239.0113, 239B.030, 239B.040, 239B.050, 239C.140, 239C.210, 239C.230, 239C.250, 239C.270, 240.007, 241.020, 241.030, 241.039, 242.105, 244.264, 244.335, 250.087, 250.130, 250.140, 250.150, 268.095, 268.490, 268.910, 271A.105, 281.195, 281A.350, 281A.440, 281A.550, 284.4068, 286.110, 287.0438, 289.025, 289.080, 289.387, 289.830, 293.5002, 293.503, 293.558, 293B.135, 293D.510, 331.110, 332.061, 332.351, 333.333, 333.335, 338.070, 338.1379, 338.16925, 338.1725, 338.1727, 348.420, 349.597, 349.775, 353.205, 353A.049, 353A.085, 353A.100, 353C.240, 360.240, 360.247, 360.255, 360.755, 361.044, 361.610, 365.138, 366.160, 368A.180, 372A.080, 378.290, 378.300, 379.008, 385A.830, 385B.100, 387.626, 387.631, 388.1455, 388.259, 388.501, 388.503, 388.513, 388.750, 391.035, 392.029, 392.147, 392.264, 392.271, 392.850, 394.167, 394.1698, 394.447, 394.460, 394.465, 396.3295, 396.405, 396.525, 396.535, 398.403, 408.3885, 408.3886, 408.3888, 408.5484, 412.153, 416.070, 422.2749, 422.305, 422A.342, 422A.350, 425.400, 427A.1236, 427A.872, 432.205, 432B.175, 432B.280, 432B.290, 432B.407, 432B.430, 432B.560, 433.534, 433A.360, 439.840, 439B.420, 440.170, 441A.195, 441A.220, 441A.230, 442.330, 442.395, 445A.665, 445B.570, 449.209, 449.245, 449.720, 450.140, 453.164, 453.720, 453A.610, 453A.700, 458.055, 458.280, 459.050, 459.3866, 459.555, 459.7056, 459.846, 463.120, 463.15993, 463.240, 463.3403, 463.3407, 463.790, 467.1005, 480.365, 481.063, 482.170, 482.5536, 483.340, 483.363, 483.575, 483.659, 483.800, 484E.070, 485.316, ~~[503.452,]~~ 522.040, 534A.031, 561.285, 571.160, 584.655, 587.877, 598.0964, 598.098, 598A.110, 599B.090, 603.070, 603A.210, 604A.710, 612.265, 616B.012, 616B.015, 616B.315, 616B.350, 618.341, 618.425, 622.310, 623.131, 623A.137, 624.110, 624.265, 624.327, 625.425, 625A.185, 628.418, 628B.230, 628B.760, 629.047, 629.069, 630.133, 630.30665, 630.336, 630A.555, 631.368, 632.121, 632.125, 632.405, 633.283, 633.301, 633.524, 634.055, 634.214, 634A.185, 635.158, 636.107, 637.085, 637B.288, 638.087, 638.089, 639.2485, 639.570, 640.075, 640A.220, 640B.730, 640C.400, 640C.745, 640C.760, 640D.190, 640E.340, 641.090, 641A.191, 641B.170, 641C.760, 642.524,

643.189, 644.446, 645.180, 645.625, 645A.050, 645A.082, 645B.060, 645B.092, 645C.220, 645C.225, 645D.130, 645D.135, 645E.300, 645E.375, 645G.510, 645H.320, 645H.330, 647.0945, 647.0947, 648.033, 648.197, 649.065, 649.067, 652.228, 654.110, 656.105, 661.115, 665.130, 665.133, 669.275, 669.285, 669A.310, 671.170, 673.430, 675.380, 676A.340, 676A.370, 677.243, 679B.122, 679B.152, 679B.159, 679B.190, 679B.285, 679B.690, 680A.270, 681A.440, 681B.260, 681B.410, 681B.540, 683A.0873, 685A.077, 686A.289, 686B.170, 686C.306, 687A.110, 687A.115, 687C.010, 688C.230, 688C.480, 688C.490, 692A.117, 692C.190, 692C.3536, 692C.3538, 692C.354, 692C.420, 693A.480, 693A.615, 696B.550, 703.196, 704B.320, 704B.325, 706.1725, 706A.230, 710.159, 711.600, sections 35, 38 and 41 of chapter 478, Statutes of Nevada 2011 and section 2 of chapter 391, Statutes of Nevada 2013 and unless otherwise declared by law to be confidential, all public books and public records of a governmental entity must be open at all times during office hours to inspection by any person, and may be fully copied or an abstract or memorandum may be prepared from those public books and public records. Any such copies, abstracts or memoranda may be used to supply the general public with copies, abstracts or memoranda of the records or may be used in any other way to the advantage of the governmental entity or of the general public. This section does not supersede or in any manner affect the federal laws governing copyrights or enlarge, diminish or affect in any other manner the rights of a person in any written book or record which is copyrighted pursuant to federal law.

2. A governmental entity may not reject a book or record which is copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.

3. A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to subsection 1 to inspect or copy or receive a copy of a public book or record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains information that is confidential if the governmental entity can redact, delete, conceal or separate the confidential information from the information included in the public book or record that is not otherwise confidential.

4. A person may request a copy of a public record in any medium in which the public record is readily available. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who has legal custody or control of a public record:

(a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in a readily available medium because the officer, employee or agent has already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different medium.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require the person who has requested the copy to prepare the copy himself or herself.

Sec. 8.5. 1. Until the Legislature amends NRS 503.570 to change the frequency a person who takes or causes to be taken wild mammals by means of traps, snares or similar devices is required visit a trap, snare or similar device, the regulation adopted by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners pursuant to NRS 503.570 as it exists on July 1, 2017, setting forth the frequency a person must visit a trap, snare or similar device shall remain in effect.

2. The text of the regulation which shall remain in effect pursuant to subsection 1 is codified as NAC 503.152 and is as follows:

A person who is required pursuant to NRS 503.570 to visit or cause to be visited a trap, snare or similar device shall ensure that the trap, snare or similar device is visited:

1. At least once every other calendar day in the following units for wildlife, as designated in NAC 504.210, or portions of those units specified in this subsection other than any private property located within those units or if a box or cage trap is used:

(a) All of Unit 194;

(b) The following portions of Unit 195:

(1) West of Lagomarsino Canyon-Lousetown Road from its intersection with Interstate Highway No. 80 to its intersection with State Route No. 341; and

(2) West of State Route No. 341 from its intersection with Lousetown Road to its intersection with U.S. Highway No. 50;

(c) All of Unit 196; and

(d) The portion within the Clark County Illegal Firearms Discharge Area created by the Clark County Geographic Information Systems Management Office on September 11, 2013;

2. At least once each 96 hours in all other units for wildlife, as designated in NAC 504.210, or portions of those units not specified in subsection 1, including any private property located within those units;

3. At least once each 96 hours if a box or cage trap is used;

4. By a person who is a holder of a trapping license issued by the Department; and

5. In a manner which ensures that any mammal caught in the trap, snare or similar device is removed from the trap, snare or similar device.

Sec. 9. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

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