

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0009

Animal damage management program-amendments.

Sponsored by: Joint Agriculture, Public Lands and Water
Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the animal damage management program;
2 eliminating the repeal date for the animal damage
3 management program; providing for continuation of the
4 wildlife damage management stamp; providing for
5 continuation of the landowner coupon checkoff box; defining
6 duties; requiring a report; conforming provisions;
7 providing an appropriation; and providing for an effective
8 date.

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

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12 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-6-305(a) and 23-3-105(b) are
13 amended to read:

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15 **11-6-305. Wyoming animal damage management board**
16 **funding; sources; methods of collection.**

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1 (a) Effective January 1, 2000, ~~through December 31,~~
2 ~~2004,~~ there is created a "wildlife damage management"
3 stamp. The stamp, issued at licensed selling agents as
4 designated by the Wyoming game and fish commission may be
5 purchased voluntarily. Proceeds from the sale of the
6 stamp, excluding twenty-five cents (\$.25) which the agent
7 shall retain for each stamp sold, shall be deposited by the
8 state treasurer into the animal damage management account
9 created by W.S. 11-6-306. The Wyoming game and fish
10 commission shall retain such fees related to those
11 administrative costs which are required to design and print
12 stamps, and collect, account for and disburse these funds
13 to the ADMB. The Wyoming game and fish commission shall
14 annually provide to the ADMB a complete and detailed
15 accounting of any and all such administrative costs and
16 fees.

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18 **23-3-105. Antelope, deer and elk coupons; payment to**
19 **landowner; kill on federal or state land.**

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21 (b) The landowner's coupon shall promptly be
22 detached, dated, signed and delivered to the landowner. The
23 landowner on or before February 1 following the year for
24 which the license was valid, shall deliver to the

1 department the coupon and an affidavit that the antelope,
2 deer or elk for which the coupon was delivered was killed
3 on his land. Upon receipt of the coupon and affidavit the
4 department shall pay the landowner eleven dollars (\$11.00)
5 for each coupon from an antelope, deer or elk license.
6 Landowner's coupons are not transferable. Any unauthorized
7 person attempting to collect any sum for any landowner's
8 coupon is guilty of a second degree misdemeanor. Effective
9 January 1, 2000, ~~through December 31, 2004,~~ the department
10 shall provide a checkoff box on each landowner coupon
11 affidavit claim form that offers the claimant the
12 opportunity to designate the animal damage management board
13 to receive his payment amount for landowner coupons claimed
14 on that form. For each claim made where the landowner has
15 designated their payment to the animal damage management
16 board, the department shall transfer that amount to the
17 animal damage management account created by W.S. 11-6-306
18 and the department shall retain such fees related to those
19 administrative costs of the transfer.

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21 **Section 2.** W.S. 11-6-313 and 1999 Wyoming Session
22 Laws, Chapter 197, Section 5 are repealed.

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1 **Section 3.** The animal damage management board shall
2 investigate, test and refine the concept of integrated
3 predator management. The Wyoming animal damage management
4 board shall develop and establish measurable goals and
5 objectives. The board shall report to the governor and the
6 joint agriculture, public lands and water resources interim
7 committee, joint appropriations interim committee and the
8 joint travel, recreation, wildlife and cultural resources
9 interim committee on or before December 31 of each year to
10 determine the progress the board has made toward achieving
11 the goals and objectives it has established.

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13 **Section 4.** There is appropriated from the general
14 fund two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) to
15 the animal damage management account created by W.S.
16 11-6-306.

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18 **Section 5.** This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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