

SENATE FILE NO. SF0033

Defining aircraft for purposes of hunting prohibitions.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; providing a definition of
2 "aircraft" for purposes of the prohibition on the use of
3 aircraft for hunting and other purposes as specified; and
4 providing for an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-3-306(a) is amended to read:

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10 **23-3-306. Use of aircraft, automobiles, motorized and**
11 **snow vehicles and artificial light for hunting or fishing**
12 **prohibited; exceptions; penalties.**

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14 (a) No person shall harass, pursue, hunt, shoot, or
15 kill any Wyoming wildlife except predatory animals with,
16 from, or by use of any aircraft, automotive vehicle,

1 trailer, motor-propelled wheeled vehicle, or vehicle
2 designed for travel over snow. No person shall use any
3 aircraft, to aid in the taking of any Wyoming wildlife,
4 except predatory animals, whether by spotting or locating
5 the wildlife, communicating with any person attempting to
6 take the wildlife, or by providing other aid to any person
7 taking the wildlife. Nothing in this subsection shall apply
8 to the use of any aircraft by governmental agencies, their
9 employees, contractors or designees performing any lawful
10 duties. The commission may exempt handicapped hunters from
11 any provision of this subsection. For purposes of this
12 section "aircraft" means any machine or device capable of
13 atmospheric flight including but not limited to an
14 airplane, helicopter, glider, dirigible or unmanned aerial
15 vehicle.

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17 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2023.

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