HOUSE BILL NO. HB0002

Hunting license application fees increase.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; authorizing the game and

2 fish commission to set application fees for hunting

3 licenses as specified; removing minimum contribution

4 requirements to property damage compensation fund;

5 requiring rulemaking; and providing for effective dates.

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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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9 **Section 1**. W.S. 23-2-101(e) is amended to read:

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11 23-2-101. Fees; restrictions; nonresident application

12 fee; nonresident licenses; verification of residency

13 required; donation of refunded application fees.

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1 (e) Resident and nonresident license applicants shall 2 pay an application fee in an amount specified by this 3 subsection upon submission of an application for purchase 4 of any limited quota drawing for big or trophy game license or wild bison license. The resident Application fee fees 5 6 shall be five dollars (\$5.00) established by rule and shall not exceed twenty dollars (\$20.00) for resident 7 8 applications and the seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for 9 nonresident application fee shall be fifteen dollars 10 (\$15.00) applications for all personal applications made at the same time. The application fee is in addition to the 11 12 fees prescribed by subsections (f) and (j) of this section 13 and by W.S. 23-2-107 and shall be payable to the department either directly or through an authorized selling agent of 14 15 the department. At the beginning of each month, the 16 commission shall set aside all of the fees collected during 17 calendar year 1980 and not to exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the fees collected thereafter pursuant to this 18 19 subsection to establish and maintain a working balance of 20 five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00), to compensate 21 owners or lessees of property damaged by game animals and game birds. 22

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1 **Section 2.** The game and fish commission shall

2 promulgate all rules necessary to implement the provisions

3 of this act not later than July 1, 2025.

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5 Section 3.

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7 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this

8 section, this act is effective July 1, 2025.

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10 (b) Sections 2 and 3 of this act are effective

11 immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a

12 bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of

13 the Wyoming Constitution.

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15 (END)