

SENATE FILE NO. SF0051

Transferable landowner hunting licenses-requirements.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; creating requirements for  
2 the issuance of transferable landowner hunting licenses as  
3 specified; requiring rulemaking; providing a sunset date;  
4 and providing for effective dates.

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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. 23-1-302(h) is amended to read:

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10 **23-1-302. Powers and duties.**

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12 (h) For purposes of promoting the maintenance of  
13 wildlife habitat and attaining wildlife management  
14 objectives pursuant to W.S. 23-1-103 and in addition to  
15 duties prescribed under paragraph (a)(xiv) of this section,

1 the commission shall promulgate rules and regulations  
2 governing the issuance of elk, deer, antelope and turkey  
3 hunting licenses to Wyoming landowners without subjection  
4 to prescribed means of competitive public issuance. Fees  
5 assessed for licenses authorized under this subsection  
6 shall be equal to fees prescribed under W.S. 23-2-101(j)  
7 for each species for which the license is issued. The  
8 following conditions shall apply regarding the issuance of  
9 transferable hunting licenses to resident Wyoming  
10 landowners:

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12 (i) Resident landowners shall qualify to use or  
13 transfer not more than two (2) hunting licenses per  
14 eligible species during each calendar year, if available;

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16 (ii) To be eligible to use or transfer any  
17 license under this subsection, resident landowners shall:

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19 (A) Operate a farming or ranching operation  
20 within the state;

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22 (B) Have the farming or ranching operation  
23 classified as agricultural land by the county assessor; and

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(C) Make a minimum annual gross income of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) from the sale of agricultural commodities.

(iii) Resident landowners shall be permitted to transfer a hunting license issued under this subsection to any person who qualifies for a hunting license under title 23, chapter 2 of the Wyoming statutes;

(iv) This subsection is repealed June 30, 2031.

**Section 2.** The game and fish commission shall promulgate all rules necessary to implement this act.

1           Section 3.

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3           (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this  
4 section, this act is effective July 1, 2026.

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(b) Sections 2 and 3 of this act are effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

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11 (END)