

C. Scott

79LSO-173

# HOUSE BILL 23 , 1979

## Title:

- AN ACT to amend W.S. 23-1-101(a)(v) and (vii) and 23-3-115 relating to bobcats; providing for notice and tagging of skins; redefining bobcats as furbearing animals rather than predatory animals; providing for the taking of bobcats damaging or attempting to damage private property; providing for the department to receive a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the skins; and providing for an effective date.

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Introduced by:

Charles K. Scott

Edney Kinkead Wilkins

DATE	ACTION	DATE	ACTION
JAN 9 1979	READ FIRST TIME	FEB 23 1979	STANDING COMM. REPC.
	REFERRED TO COM. NO. <u>6</u>		DO PASS
	DELIVERED TO COM. NO. <u>6</u>		
JAN 18 1979	RETURNED		
	Reconstituted Amend and Do Pass <i>Yay</i>		
	MOVED ON GENERAL FILE		
JAN 19 1979	CONSIDERED IN COM. OF WHOLE		
	Standing Com. Amendment HB23 HS1/A ✓		
	ADOPTED		
	Com. of Whole Amendment HB23 HW1/A ✓		
	ADOPTED		
	RECOMMENDED DO.....PASS		
JAN 15 1979	READ SECOND TIME		
	amended as follows - HB23 H21/A ✓		
	ADOPTED		
JAN 16 1979	READ THIRD TIME		
	PASSED		
	57 Ayes 4 Noes 1 Absent ✓		
	Sent to Senate L.S.O.		
1-16-79	ENGROSSED		
1-17-79	Sent to Senate		
1-17-79	Received from House		
	Read first time		
	Referred to Com. No. <u>6</u>		
	Delivered to Com. No. <u>6</u>		

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# 91323Third ReadingDate 1/16/79

# Roll Call of the House

## of the FORTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

### of Wyoming

	Ayes	Noes	Excused	Absent		Ayes	Noes	Excused	Absent
63 ARNOLD	✓				28 O'NEIL	✓			
62 ASAY	✓				27 ORRISON <i>ago</i>				✓
61 BRAGG	✓				26 PERRY <i>ago</i>		✓		
60 BRYANT	✓				25 PHELAN	✓			
59 BURNETT	✓				24 PROSSER	✓			
58 CHAMBERLAIN	✓				23 ROTH	✓			
57 CROSS	✓				22 SALISBURY	✓			
56 CROWLEY	✓				21 SANDERS	✓			
55 CURRY	✓				20 SCHWOPE	✓			
54 DONLEY	✓				19 C. SCOTT	✓			
53 DUSL	✓				18 D. SCOTT	✓			
52 EDWARDS	✓				17 SHREVE	✓			
51 ESKENS	✓	✓			16 SIDI <i>ago</i>	✓			
50 GARBER	✓				15 SIMONS	✓			
49 GETTER	✓				14 SMITH	✓			
48 GROPP <i>ago</i>	✓	✓			13 SPICER	✓			
47 HANSEN	✓				12 STAUFFER	✓			
46 HEMMERT	✓	✓			11 STRAND	✓			
45 HUNTER	✓				10 TARTER	✓			
44 HURSH	✓				9 THORSON	✓			
43 JENNINGS	✓				8 TROWBRIDGE	✓			
42 JENSEN	✓				7 TUGMAN	✓			
41 JONES <i>ago</i>	✓				6 URBIGKIT	✓			
40 KINNISON	✓				5 VINICH	✓			
39 LARSON <i>ago</i>	✓				4 WIEDERSPAHN	✓			
38 LUMMIS	✓				3 WILKINS	✓			
37 MacMILLAN	✓				2 WINNINGER	✓			
36 MARTON	✓				1 MR. SPEAKER	✓			
35 McILVAIN	✓								
34 McMILLAN	✓								
33 MEENAN	✓								
32 MICHELI	✓								
31 MICHIE	✓								
30 <del>MORTON</del>									
29 MURPHY	✓								

PRESENT \_\_\_\_\_

AYES 57NOES 4

EXCUSED \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT 1TOTAL 62

LESS \_\_\_\_\_

# THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING

## House of Representatives

Cheyenne, ..... January 11 ..... 1979

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee No. 6 on Travel, Recreation & Wildlife

to whom was referred H.B. No. 23

respectfully reports same back to the House with the recommendation that IT DO PASS.

Page 1 Line 2, After semi-colon insert "PROVIDING FOR NOTICE AND TAGGING OF SKIN;

Page 2 Line 22, After "disposition." insert "IF A BOBCAT SKIN IS OF COMMERCIAL  
VALUE."

Page 2 Line 23, Delete "A BOBCAT" insert "THE"

Page 3 Lines 1  
and 2 Delete "IF THE BOBCAT SKIN IS OF COMMERCIAL VALUE,"

### AYES

### NOES

Hursh  
Burnett  
Edwards  
Hermert  
MacMillan  
Salisbury  
Schwope  
Shreve  
Tarter

REP. JOHN R. HURSH

Chairman

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HB23HW3/F

Page 3-line 3

Delete "FIFTY" insert "ONE HUNDRED"; delete  
"(50%) insert "(100%)".  
-JONES *PSB*

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*GC 1/13/79*

HB23HW2/F

Page 3-Lines 2-4 Delete entirely.  
-CROSS *A*

House of Intro  
To Com No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Stand Report Do      Amd      Not       
Com Whole Do      Amd      Not       
2nd Reading Amd       
3rd Reading Amd      Pass      Fail     

Second House  
To Com No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Stand Report Do      Amd      Not       
Com Whole Do      Amd      Not       
2nd Reading Amd       
3rd Reading Amd      Pass      Fail     

**INTRODUCED**

1979

STATE OF WYOMING

79LSO-173.01

HOUSE BILL NO. 23

Bobcats defined as furbearing animals.

Sponsored by: Representative C. SCOTT

A BILL

for

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2 relating to bobcats; redefining bobcats as furbearing ani-  
3 mals rather than predatory animals; providing for the  
4 taking of bobcats damaging private property; and providing  
5 for an effective date.

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

7 Section 1. W.S. 23-1-101(a)(v) and (vii) and  
8 23-3-115 are amended to read:

9 23-1-101. Definitions of wildlife.

10 (a) As used in this act:

1                   (v) "Furbearing animal" means badger, beaver,  
2 BOBCAT, marten, mink, or muskrat;

3                   (vii) "Predatory animal" means ~~bebeate~~, coyote,  
4 jackrabbit, porcupine, raccoon, red fox, skunk, stray cat,  
5 wolf, or weasel;

6                   23-3-115. Taking bear, bobcat, mountain lion or  
7 muskrat for damaging property authorized; notice to game  
8 warden; tagging of skin.

9                   (a) Any bear, BOBCAT, mountain lion or muskrat doing  
10 damage to private property may be immediately taken and  
11 killed by the owner of the property, employee of the  
12 owner, or lessee of the property.

13                   (b) The owner, employee or lessee shall immediately  
14 notify the nearest game warden of the killing of bear,  
15 BOBCAT or mountain lion. AND, UPON REQUEST, SHALL PROVIDE  
16 EVIDENCE OF THE DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE BEAR, BOBCAT OR MOUN-  
17 TAIN LION TO A GAME WARDEN, DAMAGE CONTROL WARDEN, SUPER-  
18 VISOR OR COMMISSION MEMBER. The owner, employee or lessee  
19 shall save and care for the skin and procure a Wyoming  
20 game tag for the skin of black bear. Grizzly bear or moun-  
21 tain lion skins shall be given to the department or its  
22 authorized personnel for disposition. THE OWNER, EMPLOYEE  
23 OR LESSEE SHALL SAVE AND CARE FOR A BOBCAT SKIN AND PRO-

1 CURE A WYOMING GAME TAG. IF THE BOBCAT SKIN IS OF COMMER-  
2 CIAL VALUE, THE OWNER, EMPLOYEE OR LESSEE SHALL FORWARD  
3 FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF THE SKIN  
4 TO THE DEPARTMENT.

5 Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 1979.

6 (END)

Anticipated <u>REVENUE</u> to:	Fiscal Year 19	Fiscal Year 19
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE	=====	=====

Anticipated <u>COST</u> to:	Fiscal Year 19	Fiscal Year 19
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	=====	=====

1. The state's share of the proceeds from selling bobcat skins could generate a minimal amount of revenue.
2. Additional resources could be required, however this would depend upon the extent to which Game and Fish Department monitor the damage caused by bears, bobcats and mountain lions.



# House Bill 23.

HB23MS1/A

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- ✓ Page 2-line 23 Delete "A BOBCAT" insert "THE".
- ✓ Page 3-lines 1 and 2 Delete "IF THE BOBCAT SKIN IS OF COMMERCIAL VALUE,"  
-HURSH, CHAIRMAN

GC 1/13/79

HB23HW1/A

- ✓ Page 2-line 9 After "doing" insert "OR IN THE PROCESS OF DOING".
- ✓ Page 2-line 16 After "DAMAGE" insert "OR ATTEMPTED DAMAGE". Delete "CAUSED" insert "INITIATED".  
-O'NEIL

GC 1/15/79

HB23H21/A

- ✓ Page 1-Line 4 After "damaging" insert "or attempting to damage". After "property;" insert "providing for the department to receive a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the skin;"  
-SCOTT

# ENGROSSED

1979

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18       EVIDENCE OF THE DAMAGE OR ATTEMPTED DAMAGE INITIATED BY  
19       THE BEAR<sub>2</sub>, BOBCAT OR MOUNTAIN LION TO A GAME WARDEN<sub>2</sub>, DAMAGE  
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