Assembly Bill No. 291-Assemblymen Claborn, Carpenter, Collins, Marvel, Neighbors, Anderson, Bache, Brown, de Braga, Humke, Lee, McClain, Mortenson and Parnell

## CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to game tags; imposing an additional fee for processing an application for a game tag for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 502 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. In addition to any fee charged and collected pursuant to NRS 502.250, a fee of \$3 must be charged for processing each application for a game tag, the revenue from which must be accounted for separately, deposited with the state treasurer for credit to the wildlife account in the state general fund and used by the division for costs related to:
- (a) Programs for the management and control of injurious predatory wildlife;
- (b) Wildlife management activities relating to the protection of nonpredatory game animals, sensitive wildlife species and related wildlife
- (c) Conducting research, as needed, to determine successful techniques for managing and controlling predatory wildlife, including studies necessary to ensure effective programs for the management and control of injurious predatory wildlife; and
- (d) Programs for the education of the general public concerning the management and control of predatory wildlife.
- 2. The division of wildlife is hereby authorized to expend a portion of the money collected pursuant to subsection 1 to enable the state department of agriculture to develop and carry out the programs described in subsection 1.
- 3. The money in the wildlife account remains in the account and does not revert to the state general fund at the end of any fiscal year.
- Sec. 2. NRS 502.255 is hereby amended to read as follows:
  502.255 The division shall account separately for the money received from fees for processing applications for tags and, except as otherwise provided in section 1 of this act, use that money only for all of the division's direct and indirect costs associated with the system of applications and drawings for, and the issuance of, tags.
  - **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on January 1, 2002.