

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 226—ASSEMBLYMEN CLABORN, MCCLEARY,
GOICOECHEA, GRADY, HOGAN, KOIVISTO, MANENDO,
MCCLAIN, MUNFORD AND SHERER

MARCH 17, 2005

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources,
Agriculture, and Mining

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing fees for processing
applications for game tags. (BDR 45-621)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to wildlife; increasing the amount of the fee
charged for processing an application for a game tag;
revising the purposes for which the money collected from
the fee must be used; and providing other matters
properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires that an additional fee of \$3 be charged for processing
each application for a game tag, and that the revenue from the fee must be
accounted for separately in the Wildlife Account and used to conduct programs for
the management and control of wildlife predators and other wildlife management
activities. (NRS 502.253)

This bill increases the amount of the fee to \$8. This bill further revises the
purposes for which the fees collected may be used and requires that 60 percent of
the fees collected and any interest earned must be used for the management and
control of the natural predators of wildlife, and 40 percent of the fees must be used
for the protection of mule deer and its habitat, research concerning the management
and control of the natural predators of mule deer and programs to educate the
general public concerning the management and control of the natural predators of
mule deer.



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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 502.253 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 502.253 1. In addition to any fee charged and collected
3 pursuant to NRS 502.250, a fee of ~~[\$3]~~ **\$8** must be charged for
4 processing each application for a game tag, the revenue from which
5 must be accounted for separately, deposited with the State Treasurer
6 for credit to the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund and
7 used by the Department for costs related to:

8 (a) Programs for the management and control of ~~[injurious~~
9 ~~predatory]~~ **the natural predators of** wildlife;

10 (b) Wildlife management activities relating to the protection of
11 ~~[nonpredatory game animals, sensitive wildlife species and related~~
12 ~~wildlife]~~ **mule deer and its** habitat;

13 (c) Conducting research, as needed, to determine successful
14 techniques for managing and controlling ~~[predatory wildlife;]~~ **the**
15 **natural predators of mule deer**, including studies necessary to
16 ensure effective programs for the management and control of
17 ~~[injurious predatory wildlife;]~~ **those predators;** and

18 (d) Programs for the education of the general public concerning
19 the management and control of ~~[predatory wildlife;]~~ **the natural**
20 **predators of mule deer.**

21 2. The Department of Wildlife ~~[is hereby authorized to]~~ **may**
22 expend a portion of the money collected pursuant to subsection 1 to
23 enable the State Department of Agriculture to develop and carry out
24 the programs described in subsection 1.

25 3. **Sixty percent of the money collected pursuant to subsection**
26 **1 and any interest earned on that money must be used to carry out**
27 **the provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 and 40 percent of**
28 **the money collected pursuant to subsection 1 and any interest**
29 **earned on that money must be used to carry out the provisions of**
30 **paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) of subsection 1.**

31 4. The money in the Wildlife Account remains in the Account
32 and does not revert to the State General Fund at the end of any fiscal
33 year.

34 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on January 1, 2006.

