SENATE BILL NO. 235-SENATOR GOICOECHEA

MARCH 9, 2015

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to wildlife. (BDR 45-612)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to wildlife; revising the definition of the term "wildlife" for the purposes of the provisions of State law relating to the management of wildlife and the appropriation of public waters; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law defines the term "wildlife" for the purposes of the provisions of State law relating to the management of wildlife and the appropriation of public waters to include wild mammals, wild birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians, mollusks and crustaceans that are found naturally in a wild state whether indigenous to Nevada or not and whether raised in captivity or not. This bill revises that definition to further limit the term "wildlife" to include only those wild mammals, wild birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians, mollusks and crustaceans that are managed by the Nevada Department of Wildlife or the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

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

Section 1. NRS 501.097 is hereby amended to read as follows: 501.097 "Wildlife" means any wild mammal, wild bird, fish, reptile, amphibian, mollusk or crustacean found naturally in a wild state [] and managed by the Department or the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, whether indigenous to Nevada or not and whether raised in captivity or not.



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Sec. 2. Chapter 533 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows: 1 2

"Wildlife" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 501.097.

Sec. 3. NRS 533.005 is hereby amended to read as follows:
533.005 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 533.007 to 533.023, inclusive, *and section 2 of this act* have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.





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