

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO
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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1271

BY RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LANDS; AMENDING CHAPTER 3, TITLE 58, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 58-302, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE A TERM, TO REQUIRE APPLICANTS FOR STATE GRAZING LEASES TO SUBMIT GRAZING MANAGEMENT PROPOSALS, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH PROPOSALS AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 3, Title 58, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 58-302, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

58-302. GRAZING MANAGEMENT PLANS. (1) As used in this section, "grazing management plan" means a written agreement between the lessee and the department of lands, or between the lessee and another public agency and approved by the department, designed to meet the resource objectives identified by the department, including any criteria provided by the department in rule.

(2) All applicants for state grazing leases shall submit a grazing management proposal that addresses resource concerns, as identified by the department, no later than the deadline to apply for the lease.

(3) Provided however, a current lessee with a grazing management plan in place is not required to submit a grazing management proposal pursuant to this section unless:

(a) The department of lands makes a written request for a new grazing management proposal from the current lessee; or

(b) The current lessee desires to modify the existing grazing management plan, in which case a written request with the modified management proposal must be submitted no later than the deadline to apply for the lease.