

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 336

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO WOLVES; AMENDING CHAPTER 4, TITLE 36, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 36-409B, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE INTENT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPOSIT OF CERTAIN PROCEEDS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE WOLF DEPREDAATION ACCOUNT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE INVESTMENT OF MONEYS IN THE ACCOUNT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF PROCEEDS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME, TO PROVIDE THAT MONEYS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION, TO PROVIDE FOR THE RETURN OF INTEREST EARNED TO THE ACCOUNT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF MONEYS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF DEPREDAATION PAYMENTS TO LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS BY THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF SPECIES CONSERVATION IN COORDINATION WITH THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION; AMENDING SECTION 36-416, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE GRAY WOLF TAG FEES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. That Chapter 4, Title 36, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated as Section 36-409B, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

36-409B. LEGISLATIVE INTENT -- WOLF DEPREDAATION ACCOUNT. (1) Wolves forced upon Idaho in 1995 by the federal government and the U.S. fish and wildlife service have created unwarranted hardship and economic harm to wildlife, hunters, outfitters, the Idaho department of fish and game and livestock producers. Federal funding has never been adequate compensation for the damages incurred due to wolf depredation. An environmental group broke their original agreement to pay livestock producers for damages when they pursued wolf reintroduction. On two (2) occasions, the same group successfully sued to keep wolves on the federal endangered species list, which denied management of the aggressive predator for years, creating additional expenses and loss. The legislature believes that it is necessary to use proceeds from the sale of wolf tags and the sale of harvested wolves as provided in subsection (2) of this section, to compensate for the shortfall in funding for depredation.

(2) Eight dollars (\$8.00) from the proceeds of the sale of each wolf-related tag including, but not limited to, tags for wolf hunting and trapping, shall be placed in an account to be known as the "Wolf Depredation Account," to be created in and established in the state treasury for the deposit of such moneys. Moneys in the account shall be invested as provided in section 67-1210, Idaho Code. Proceeds from the sale of any harvested wolf returned to the Idaho department of fish and game due to a depredation action or illegal killing shall also be deposited in the wolf depredation account. All moneys so deposited are hereby subject to appropriation for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this section. Any interest earned on the investment of idle moneys in the account shall be returned to the account.

Fifty percent (50%) of moneys in the account shall be transferred to the animal damage control fund to be equally used for control actions of wolves depredating on wildlife and livestock pursuant to section 36-112, Idaho Code. The remaining fifty percent (50%) of moneys in the account shall be used for depredation payments to livestock producers for losses caused by wolves. Depredation payments to livestock producers for losses shall be administered by the governor's office of species conservation in coordination with the fish and game commission.

SECTION 2. That Section 36-416, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

36-416. SCHEDULE OF LICENSE FEES.

(a) Sport Licenses

License	Resident	Non-Resident
Combination License	\$ 31.75	\$ 238.25
Hunting License	11.00	N/A
Hunting License with 3 Day Fishing License	N/A	153.00
Fishing License	24.00	96.50
Sr. Combination License (65 and Older)	10.00	N/A
Sportsman's Pak License	114.65	N/A
Jr. Combination License	15.75	N/A
Jr. Hunting License	5.50	N/A
Jr. Mentored Hunting License	N/A	30.00
Youth Small Game License	5.50	18.25
Youth Hunter Education Graduate Hunting License	3.25	3.25
Jr. Fishing License	12.00	20.00
Disabled Combination License	3.25	3.25
Disabled Fishing License	3.25	N/A
Military Furlough Combination License	15.75	N/A
Military Furlough Fishing License	15.75	N/A
Small Game Hunting License	N/A	96.00

1	3 Day Small Game Hunting		
2	License	N/A	33.75
3	Daily Fishing (1st-day)		
4	License	9.75	11.00
5	Consecutive Day Fishing		
6	License	5.00	6.00
7	3 Day Fishing with Salmon/Steelhead		
8	Permit	N/A	35.75
9	Nongame Hunting License	N/A	33.75

10 For purposes of this subsection, disabled combination licenses provided
 11 to nonresidents shall be limited to nonresident disabled American veter-
 12 ans participating in a hunt in association with a qualified organization.
 13 "Qualified organization," as used in association with these licenses, shall
 14 be as defined in section 36-408(7), Idaho Code.

15 (b) Sport Tags

16	Deer Tag	\$ 18.00	\$ 300.00
17	Controlled Hunt Deer Tag	18.00	300.00
18	Jr. or Sr. or Disabled American		
19	Veteran Deer Tag	9.00	9.00
20	Jr. Mentored Deer Tag	N/A	22.00
21	Elk A Tag	29.00	415.00
22	Elk B Tag	29.00	415.00
23	Controlled Hunt Elk Tag	29.00	415.00
24	Jr. or Sr. or Disabled American		
25	Veteran Elk Tag	14.75	14.75
26	Jr. Mentored Elk Tag	N/A	38.00
27	Bear Tag	9.75	184.25
28	Jr. or Sr. or Disabled American		
29	Veteran Bear Tag	5.00	5.00
30	Jr. Mentored Bear Tag	N/A	22.00
31	Turkey Tag	18.00	78.25
32	Jr. or Sr. or Disabled American		
33	Veteran Turkey Tag	9.00	9.00
34	Jr. Mentored Turkey Tag	N/A	18.00
35	Mountain Lion Tag	9.75	184.25

1	Gray Wolf Tag	9.75	184.25
2		<u>15.00</u>	<u>188.25</u>
3	Antelope Tag	29.50	310.00
4	Moose Tag	165.00	2,100.00
5	Sheep Tag	165.00	2,100.00
6	Goat Tag	165.00	2,100.00
7	Sandhill Crane Tag	18.00	65.75

8 For purposes of this subsection, Jr. or Sr. or disabled American veteran
 9 tags provided to nonresidents shall be limited to nonresident disabled Amer-
 10 ican veterans participating in a hunt in association with a qualified organ-
 11 ization. "Qualified organization," as used in association with these tags,
 12 shall be as defined in section 36-408(7), Idaho Code.

13 (c) Sport Permits

14	Bear Baiting Permit	\$ 11.00	\$ 30.00
15	Hound Hunter Permit	11.00	168.00
16	WMA Upland Game Bird		
17	Permit	22.00	50.00
18	Archery Permit	16.50	18.25
19	Muzzleloader Permit	16.50	18.25
20	Salmon Permit	11.00	24.00
21	Steelhead Permit	11.00	24.00
22	Federal Migratory Bird Harvest Info.		
23	Permit	0.00	3.00
24	Disabled Archery Permit	0.00	0.00
25	2-Pole Fishing Permit	12.00	13.75
26	Turkey Controlled Hunt		
27	Permit	6.00	6.00
28	Sage/Sharptail Grouse		
29	Permit	3.00	3.00
30	Disabled Hunt Motor Vehicle		
31	Permit	0.00	0.00

32 (d) Commercial Licenses and Permits

33	Raptor Captive Breeding		
34	Permit	\$ 65.75	\$ 78.75
35	Falconry Permit	27.25	N/A
36	Falconry Capture Permit	N/A	168.00
37	Jr. Trapping License	5.50	N/A

1	Trapping License	25.00	300.00
2	Taxidermist-Fur Buyer License		
3	5 year license	175.00	N/A
4	1 year license	38.25	168.25
5	Shooting Preserve Permit	329.75	N/A
6	Commercial Wildlife Farm		
7	License	137.50	N/A
8	Commercial Fishing License	110.00	265.00
9	Wholesale Steelhead		
10	License	165.00	198.25
11	Retail Steelhead Trout Buyer's		
12	License	33.00	39.25
13	(e) Commercial Tags		
14	Bobcat Tag	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00
15	Otter Tag	3.00	3.00
16	Net Tag	55.00	65.75
17	Crayfish/Minnow Tag	1.25	3.00
18	(f) Miscellaneous-Other Licenses		
19	Duplicate License	\$ 5.50	\$ 6.50
20	Shooting Preserve License	11.00	22.00
21	Captive Wolf License	22.00	N/A
22	(g) Miscellaneous-Other Tags		
23	Duplicate Tag	\$ 5.50	\$ 6.50
24	Wild Bird Shooting Preserve		
25	Tag	5.50	6.50
26	(h) Miscellaneous-Other Permits-Points-Fees		
27	Falconry In-State Transfer		
28	Permit	\$ 5.50	\$ N/A
29	Falconry Meet Permit	N/A	26.25
30	Rehab Permit	3.00	3.00
31	Educational Fishing Permit	0.00	0.00
32	Live Fish Importation		
33	Permit	3.00	3.00
34	Sport Dog and Falconry Training		
35	Permit	3.00	3.00

1	Wildlife Transport Permit	3.00	3.00
2	Scientific Collection		
3	Permit	50.00	50.00
4	Private Park Permit	21.75	26.25
5	Wildlife Import Permit	21.75	26.25
6	Wildlife Export Permit	11.00	13.25
7	Wildlife Release Permit	11.00	13.25
8	Captive Wildlife Permit	21.75	26.25
9	Fishing Tournament Permit	21.75	25.00
10	Dog Field Trial Permit	33.00	40.00
11	Live Fish Transport Permit	21.75	26.25
12	Controlled Hunt Application		
13	Fee	4.50	13.00
14	Fee for Application for the Purchase of		
15	Controlled Hunt Bonus or Preference		
16	Points	4.50	4.50
17	Nursing Home Fishing Permit	33.00	N/A

18 SECTION 3. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
19 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its
20 passage and approval.