

HOUSE BILL 88

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1 HOUSE BILL NO. 88
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO GRANT TO THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS THE AUTHORITY TO
6 ALLOW AND REGULATE THE USE OF DOGS FOR PURSUING BLACK AND
7 BROWN BEAR; AND AMENDING SECTION 87-3-124, MCA."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

10 **Section 1.** Section 87-3-124, MCA, is amended to read:

11 **"87-3-124. Restrictions on hunting with dogs. (1) (a)**
12 Except as provided in 87-3-127, no a person may not chase
13 with dogs any of the game or fur-bearing animals as defined
14 by the fish and game laws of this state.

15 (b) A person may take game birds during the appropriate
16 open season with the aid of a dog or dogs. Any person or
17 association organized for the protection of game may run
18 field trials at any time upon obtaining written permission
19 from the director.

20 (c) Any peace officer, game warden, or other person
21 authorized to enforce the Montana fish and game laws who
22 witnesses any dog attacking or killing hooved hoofed game
23 animals may destroy that dog without criminal or civil
24 liability.

25 (2) The department shall have authority to allow and

1 regulate the use of dogs for hunting mountain lion and
2 bobcat and for pursuing black and brown bear."

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