

HOUSE BILL 805

Introduced by Menahan

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1 HOUSE BILL NO. 805
 2 INTRODUCED BY Heenan
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 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE
 5 CONDITIONAL REFUND OF A PORTION OF THE SPECIAL WILD BUFFALO
 6 LICENSE FEE BASED ON THE AGE AND SEX OF WILD BUFFALO TAKEN
 7 AT THE HUNT; AND AMENDING SECTION 87-2-723, MCA."
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 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
 10 **Section 1.** Section 87-2-723, MCA, is amended to read:
 11 "87-2-723. Regulation of special wild buffalo licenses
 12 -- license fee refund -- fees used for management of
 13 Yellowstone national park wild buffalo herd. (1) The
 14 department shall adopt rules regulating special wild buffalo
 15 licenses. The rules shall provide for:
 16 (a) license drawing procedures based on a year-round
 17 season;
 18 (b) an entry fee for the drawing of a license, which
 19 must be a minimum of \$5;
 20 (c) notification of license recipients as to when and
 21 where they may hunt;
 22 (d) means of taking;
 23 (e) tagging requirements for carcasses, skulls, and
 24 hides;
 25 (f) possession limits; and

1 (g) requirements for transportation and exportation.
 2 (2) (a) The department shall provide a refund to a
 3 hunter who has purchased a special wild buffalo license
 4 under 87-2-701 and is notified of a hunt, according to the
 5 following schedule when applicable conditions exist:
 6 (i) a resident hunter who kills a cow buffalo when no
 7 bull is available is entitled to \$100 of the original \$200
 8 license fee;
 9 (ii) a resident hunter who kills a calf buffalo when no
 10 bull or cow is available is entitled to \$150 of the original
 11 \$200 license fee;
 12 (iii) a nonresident hunter who kills a cow buffalo when
 13 no bull is available is entitled to \$500 of the original
 14 \$1,000 license fee; and
 15 (iv) a nonresident hunter who kills a calf buffalo when
 16 no bull or cow is available is entitled to \$750 of the
 17 original \$1,000 license fee.
 18 (b) A resident or nonresident hunter who kills a bull
 19 buffalo is not eligible for a refund of any portion of the
 20 original license fee.
 21 ~~(2)~~(3) The money collected from drawing and license
 22 fees must be placed in a special fund to manage and control
 23 the wild buffalo entering Montana from the Yellowstone
 24 national park herd."

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