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*House* BILL NO. *157* *Scully*  
 INTRODUCED BY *MICHAEL Schuster Kelly Eysenck*  
*By Request* *Lester Belligan* *Slow Wolf*  
 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO DECLARE THE MOURNING  
 DOVE A MIGRATORY GAME BIRD, AMENDING SECTION 26-201, R.C.M.  
 1947."  
 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:  
 Section 1. Section 26-201, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to  
 read as follows:  
 "26-201. Definitions. For the purpose of this act, the  
 following shall be construed, respectively to mean:  
 Commission. The state fish and game commission.  
 Person. The plural or singular, male or female, as the  
 case demands, including individual, associations,  
 partnerships, and corporations, unless the context otherwise  
 requires.  
 Open season. The time during which game birds, fish,  
 game and fur-bearing animals may be lawfully taken.  
 Closed season. The time during which game birds, fish,  
 game and fur-bearing animals may not be lawfully taken.  
 Angling or fishing. The taking of, or attempting to  
 take fish by hook and single line or single rod in hand or  
 within immediate control.  
 Upland game birds. Sharptail grouse, blue grouse,

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prairie chicken, sage hen or sage grouse, fool hen, ruffed  
 grouse, commonly called native pheasant or native partridge,  
 quail, Chinese pheasant and Mongolian pheasant, commonly  
 called ring-necked pheasant, Hungarian partridge, ptarmigan,  
 wild turkey, and chukar partridge.  
 Migratory game birds. Waterfowl, including wild ducks,  
 wild geese, brant, and swans; cranes, including little  
 brown, sandhill and whooping cranes; rails, including coots,  
 gallinules, sora or other rails; shore birds, including  
 avocets, curlew, dowitcher, godwits, knots, upland plover,  
 kill-deer, sandpipers, Wilson snipes or jacksnipes, snipes,  
 stilts, plovers, willets and yellow legs; and the mourning  
 dove.  
 Nongame birds. All wild birds not defined herein as  
 upland game birds or migratory game birds, shall be deemed  
 nongame birds.  
 Game animals. Deer, elk, moose, antelope, caribou,  
 mountain sheep, mountain goat, mountain lion, and bear.  
 Fur-bearing animals. Marten or sable, otter, muskrat,  
 fisher, mink, beaver and black-footed ferret.  
 Predatory animals. Coyote, wolf, weasel, skunk and  
 civet cat, and bobcat.  
 Game fish. All species of the family salmonidae  
 (chars, trout, salmon, grayling, and whitefish); all species  
 of the genus stizostedion (sandpike or sauger and walleyed

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