

SENATE BILL 501

IN THE SENATE

February 13, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Fish and Game.
February 17, 1979	Committee recommend bill, as amended.
February 19, 1979	Printed and placed on members' desks.
February 20, 1979	Second reading, as amended.
February 21, 1979	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 22, 1979	Third reading, passed.

IN THE HOUSE

February 23, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Fish and Game.
March 6, 1979	Committee recommend bill, not concurred.
March 7, 1979	Report adopted.

IN THE SENATE

March 8, 1979	Returned from House, not concurred.
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*Seneca* BILL NO. *501*  
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INTRODUCED BY \_\_\_\_\_

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING TRAPPERS TO  
FILE MAPS OF THEIR TRAPLINES WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND  
GAME AND MAKING TRAPPERS STRICTLY LIABLE FOR ALL DAMAGE DONE  
TO LIVESTOCK."

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

Section 1. Filing of map designating trapline. A  
person must file with the department a map, approved by the  
department, designating the location of all traps and snares  
set by the trapper. The map must be filed within 30 days  
after the traps are set.

Section 2. Penalties. A person violating any provision  
of [section 1] is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon  
conviction thereof is punishable by fine not to exceed \$500  
or imprisonment not to exceed 6 months, or both.

Section 3. Strict liability for damage to livestock.  
A trapper is strictly liable for all damage done to  
livestock by any trap set by him.

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INTRODUCED BILL

Approved by Comm.  
on Fish and Game

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5 FILE MAPS OF THEIR TRAPLINES WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND  
6 GAME AND MAKING TRAPPERS STRICTLY LIABLE FOR ALL DAMAGE DONE  
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15 SECTION 1. STRICT LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE TO LIVESTOCK.  
16 A TRAPPER IS STRICTLY LIABLE FOR ALL DAMAGE DONE TO  
17 LIVESTOCK BY ANY TRAP OR SNARE SET BY HIM.

18 Section 2. Penalties. A person violating any provision  
19 of [section 1] is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon  
20 conviction thereof is punishable by fine not to exceed \$500  
21 or imprisonment not to exceed 6 months, or both.

22 Section 3. Strict liability for damage to livestock.  
23 A trapper is strictly liable for all damage done to  
24 livestock by any trap set by him.

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SB 501  
SECOND READING

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING--TRAPPERS--TO  
5 FILE MAPS OF THEIR TRAPLINES WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND  
6 GAME--AND MAKING IT UNLAWFUL TO DAMAGE LIVESTOCK THROUGH  
7 TRAPS OR SNARES, PROVIDING PENALTIES, AND MAKING TRAPPERS  
8 STRICTLY LIABLE FOR ALL DAMAGE DONE TO LIVESTOCK."  
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19 SECTION 1. THERE IS A NEW MCA SECTION THAT READS:

20 Unlawful damage to livestock. It is unlawful for any  
21 person to set a trap or snare that causes damage to  
22 livestock.

23 Section 2. Penalties. A person violating any provision  
24 of [section 1] is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon  
25 conviction thereof is punishable by fine not to exceed \$500

1 ~~or imprisonment not to exceed 6 months, or both.~~

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4 livestock by any trap OR SNARE set by him.

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