

HOUSE BILL 379

Introduced by Elliott, et al.

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1/25	Referred to Fish & Game
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2/01	Committee Report--Bill Not Passed
2/02	Adverse Committee Report Adopted

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 379
2 INTRODUCED BY Elliott May
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REGULATING EQUIPMENT
5 THAT MAY BE USED BY ARCHERS IN HUNTING GAME ANIMALS; AND
6 PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."
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8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
9 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Archery equipment
10 restrictions. (1) It is unlawful to attach any electrical,
11 chemical, or electronically stimulated or activated device
12 to a bow or arrow while hunting game animals.
13 (2) It is unlawful to hunt game animals with any
14 arrow, including broadhead, weighing less than 437.5 grains.
15 (3) The following restrictions apply to the hunting of
16 game animals with broadhead arrows:
17 (a) Broadhead blades may not be less than 1 inch wide.
18 (b) Broadhead blades may not be barbed.
19 (c) Broadheads must have a completely closed back with
20 a smooth, unbroken surface starting at a maximum blade
21 width, forming a smooth line toward the nock end of the
22 shaft. The line may not angle toward the point.
23 (4) It is unlawful to hunt game animals with a bow
24 that has:
25 (a) less than 45 pounds of pull measured at 28 inches

1 or less draw length; or
2 (b) greater than 65% reduction in holding weight at
3 full draw.
4 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Codification instruction.
5 [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part
6 of Title 87, chapter 3, and the provisions of Title 87,
7 chapter 3, apply to [section 1].
8 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Extension of authority. Any
9 existing authority to make rules on the subject of the
10 provisions of [this act] is extended to the provisions of
11 [this act].
12 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. [This act] is
13 effective on passage and approval.

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