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House BILL NO. 220
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A CLASS B-12 OUTFITTER-SPONSORED NONRESIDENT ARCHERY DEER LICENSE; ESTABLISHING THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND PRICE OF THE CLASS B-12 LICENSE; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Class B-12--outfitter-sponsored nonresident archery deer license. (1)

Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a person who is not a resident, as defined in 87-2-102, but who will be 12 years of age or older prior to September 15 of the season for which the license is issued and is a holder of a nonresident conservation license may, upon payment of \$150 and subject to the limitations prescribed by law and department regulation, purchase a Class B-12 outfitter-sponsored nonresident archery deer license that will entitle the holder to hunt deer with bow and arrow and to possess the carcass of the deer as authorized by department rules.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of 87-2-506:

- (a) the Class B-12 license is valid throughout the state;
- (b) an unlimited number of Class B-12 licenses may be sold in any license year; and
- (c) the Class B-12 license entitles the holder to take a mule deer or white-tailed deer of either sex.

(3) An application for a Class B-12 license must contain a written affirmation that the applicant will hunt with bow and arrow with a licensed Montana outfitter and must indicate the name of the licensed outfitter with whom the applicant will hunt. In addition, the application must be accompanied by a certificate that is signed by a licensed outfitter and that affirms that the outfitter will:

- (a) accompany the applicant;
- (b) provide guiding services for the applicant;
- (c) direct the applicant's hunting for all deer hunted by the applicant under the license and advise the applicant of game and trespass laws of the state;
- (d) submit to the department, in a manner prescribed by the department, complete records of who hunted with the outfitter, where they hunted, and what game was taken; and

STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

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DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act providing for the issuance of a class B-12 outfitter sponsored nonresident archery deer license and establishing the terms, conditions, and price of the class B-12 license.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Approximately 30% of all archery hunters are nonresident. In license year 1995, the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) sold 26,638 archery licenses. An estimated 7,991 archery hunters were nonresidents.
2. FWP does not have the information to estimate the number of nonresident archery hunters who will purchase a B-12 license.
3. Some non-resident archery hunters who have never hunted in Montana may purchase a B-12 license. FWP is unable to estimate the number of potential archers.
4. Current license sales revenue will not decrease due to the sale of the B-12 license.
5. Licensed outfitters are still subject to their same net-client hunting use numbers and the procedures for modifying the net-client hunting use are already established by the Board of Outfitters.

FISCAL IMPACT:

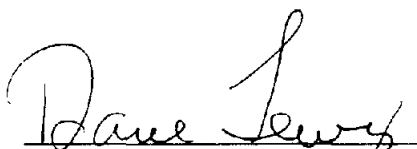
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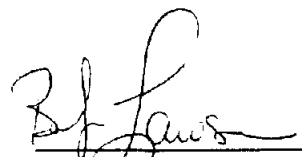
License revenue will increase in the general license state special account by an undetermined amount.

Department of Commerce

POL Bureau/Board of Outfitters:

The POL Bureau/Board of Outfitters has determined that the fiscal impacts of the proposed legislation is minimal if any.

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DAVE LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR DATE
Office of Budget and Program Planning

 1-16-97
BOB LAWSON, PRIMARY SPONSOR DATE

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