

HOUSE BILL NO. 219

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PERMITTING REIMBURSEMENTS TO ALL INDIVIDUALS FOR
RECEIPTS OF COSTS INCURRED RELATED TO THE HUNTING OR TRAPPING OF WOLVES FOR ALL
LAWFULLY HARVESTED WOLVES; AND AMENDING SECTION 87-6-214, MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 87-6-214, MCA, is amended to read:

"87-6-214. Unlawful contest or prize. (1) (a) Except as provided in subsections (1)(b) through (1)(d),
a person, firm, or club may not offer or give a prize, gift, or anything of value in connection with or as a bag limit
prize for the taking, capturing, killing, or in any manner acquiring any game, fowl, or fur-bearing animal or any
bird or animal protected by law.

(b) A prize may be awarded for any one game bird or fur-bearing animal on the basis of size,
quality, or rarity.

(c) A person may conduct or sponsor a contest for which the monetary prize, certificate, or award
does not exceed \$50 for a person who kills a game animal possessing the largest antlers or horns, carrying the
greatest weight, or having the longest body or any similar contest based ~~upon~~on the size or weight of a game
animal or part of a game animal. The monetary restriction provided in this subsection (1)(c) does not apply to
recognition given by a nationally established and recognized Boone and Crockett trophy institute.

(d) Reimbursements for receipts of costs incurred related to the hunting or trapping of wolves may
be given to persons ~~licensed to hunt or trap wolves~~who lawfully harvest wolves pursuant to Title 87, chapter
chapters 1 and 2.

(2) A person convicted of a violation of this section shall be fined not less than \$50 or more than
\$1,000 or be imprisoned in the county detention center for not more than 6 months, or both. In addition, the
person, ~~upon~~on conviction or forfeiture of bond or bail, may be subject to forfeiture of any current hunting,

1 fishing, or trapping license issued by this state and the privilege to hunt, fish, or trap in this state or to use state
2 lands, as defined in 77-1-101, for recreational purposes for a period of time set by the court."

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