

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0069

County resolution-feeding wildlife.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Schwartz, Barlow and
Kirkbride

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to county commissioners' regulatory
2 authority; authorizing counties to prohibit or regulate the
3 feeding of wildlife as specified; providing for penalties;
4 and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 18-3-504 by creating a new subsection
9 (f) is amended to read:

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11 **18-3-504. Powers and duties generally.**

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13 (f) Boards of county commissioners may by resolution
14 prohibit or regulate the feeding of wildlife on property
15 within the boundaries of the county, exclusive of the

1 municipalities therein. Any resolution passed pursuant to
2 this subsection is enforceable, in addition to other
3 remedies provided by law, by injunction, mandamus or
4 abatement. Any person who fails to comply with a
5 resolution passed pursuant to this subsection shall be
6 fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each
7 offense. Resolutions passed pursuant to this subsection
8 shall be in accordance with the following:

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10 (i) Resolutions shall only prohibit or regulate
11 the feeding of wildlife which attracts:

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13 (A) Bears;

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15 (B) Mountain lions;

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17 (C) Predatory animals as defined in W.S.
18 23-1-101(a)(viii);

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20 (D) Nuisance animals as determined by the
21 board of county commissioners.

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23 (ii) No resolution shall prohibit:

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(A) Any normal or accepted agricultural
management practice;

(B) Any wildlife feeding program authorized
or conducted by the Wyoming game and fish department;

(C) Any legal form of baiting wildlife as
authorized by rule and regulation of the game and fish
commission.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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