
WEST VIRGINIA CODE CHAPTER 20
ARTICLE 2A

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§20-2A-1. Legislative intent.

It is in the public interest to preserve, protect and perpetuate all species of wildlife for the use and benefit of the citizens of West Virginia. The intent of this legislation is to provide additional funding for wildlife programs, to be primarily used to enhance nongame wildlife programs and for the management, preservation, protection and perpetuation of nongame species.

The financing of these programs will be derived from a voluntary check-off and contribution designation on state personal income tax return forms of a portion or all of a taxpayer's refund. The funding provided shall be supplemental to existing revenues.

§20-2A-2. Voluntary check-off designation.

(a) Each West Virginia individual income tax return form shall contain a designation as follows:

West Virginia Voluntary Wildlife Check-Off Program.

Check () if you wish to designate \$1, \$5, \$10, or more of your tax refund for this program. If joint return, check () if spouse wishes to designate \$1, \$5, \$10, or more.

(b) Each individual taxpayer desiring to contribute to the voluntary wildlife program may designate by placing an "X" in the appropriate box on the state income tax return form. His contribution shall be credited to said program.

§20-2A-3. Contributions credited to special fund.

The tax department shall determine by July 1, of each year the total amount designated pursuant to this legislation and shall report such amount to the State Treasurer who shall credit such amount to a special department of natural resources fund.

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§20-2A-4. Use of funds.

The funds shall be used for the purpose of enhancement and perpetuation of nongame wildlife programs in this state upon order of the director. The director shall on January 15, each year furnish the Legislature with a report stating the amount of money that has been provided and how such moneys have been expended.

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§20-2A-5. Effective date.

This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 1982 and shall apply to tax return forms filed thereafter.

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