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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
House Bill No. 2078

(By Delegate Talbott (By Request))

Passed March 10, 2007

In Effect Ninety Days from Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact §20-2-22 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to tagging of certain game; providing tagging procedure; completing and placing the game tag; reporting to a conservation officer or an official checking station and providing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §20-2-22 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.

§20-2-22. Tagging, removing, transporting and reporting bear, bobcat, deer, wild boar and wild turkey.

(a) Each person killing a bear, bobcat, deer, wild boar, or wild turkey found in a wild state shall either attach a completed game tag to the animal or remain with the animal and have upon his or her person a completed game tag before removing the carcass in any manner from where it was killed.
(b) While transporting the carcass of a bear, bobcat, deer, wild boar, or wild turkey from where it was killed, each person shall either attach a completed game tag to the animal or have upon his or her person a completed game tag.

(c) Upon arriving at a residence, camp, hunting lodge, vehicle or vessel each person shall attach a game tag to the killed bear, bobcat, deer, wild boar, or wild turkey. The game tag shall remain on the carcass until it is retagged by a conservation officer or an official checking station.

(d) If a person who does not possess a game tag kills a bear, bobcat, deer, wild boar, or wild turkey, he or she shall make a tag. The tag shall bear the name, address, and if applicable, the license number, of the hunter, and the time, date and county of killing.

(e) The carcass of a wild turkey shall be delivered to a conservation officer or an official checking station for checking and retagging before it is either skinned or transported beyond the boundaries of the county adjacent to that in which the kill was made.

(f) The fresh skin and head or carcass of the deer shall be delivered to a conservation officer or an official checking station for checking and retagging before it is transported beyond the boundaries of the county adjacent to that in which the kill was made.

(g) A person who kills a bear shall treat the carcass and remains in accordance with the provisions of section twenty-two a, article two, chapter twenty-two.

(h) For each violation of this section, a person is subject to the penalties provided in this article.
That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within approved this the 23rd day of March, 2007.

Governor