

SENATE BILL 76

54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

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Pursuant to House Rule 24-1, this document incorporates amendments that have been adopted prior to consideration of this measure by the House. It is a tool to show the amendments in context and is not to be used for the purpose of amendments.

AN ACT

RELATING TO ANIMALS; PROHIBITING COYOTE-KILLING CONTESTS;  
DEFINING "COYOTE-KILLING CONTEST"; PROVIDING PENALTIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 30, Article 18 NMSA  
1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] COYOTE-KILLING CONTESTS PROHIBITED--  
DEFINITION--PENALTIES.--

A. It is unlawful for a person to organize, cause,  
sponsor, arrange, hold or participate in a coyote-killing

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contest.

B. As used in this section, "coyote-killing contest" means an organized or sponsored competition with the objective of killing coyotes for prizes or entertainment.

C. Organizing, causing, sponsoring, arranging or holding a coyote-killing contest consists of a person knowingly:

(1) planning, organizing or enticing a person to participate in a coyote-killing contest; or

(2) providing the venue for a coyote-killing contest.

D. Participation in a coyote-killing contest consists of a person knowingly taking part in a coyote-killing contest.

E. A person who organizes, causes, sponsors, arranges or holds a coyote-killing contest is guilty of a misdemeanor.

F. A person who participates in a coyote-killing contest is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

G. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a person from protecting a person or property or the state SCNC→gave←SCNC SCNC→game←SCNC commission from carrying out the statutory authority allowed by Chapter 17 NMSA 1978 in a non-coyote-killing contest setting."

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the

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