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HOUSE BILL 455

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ANIMALS; EXPANDING THE LIST OF PROTECTED WILDLIFE SPECIES; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978.

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

Section 1. Section 17-2-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967, Chapter 8, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

"17-2-3. PROTECTED WILDLIFE SPECIES, [ ~~AND~~] GAME FISH AND GAME CRUSTACEANS DEFINED. --

A. The following mammals are game mammals:

(1) all of the family Tayassuidae (javelina);

(2) within the family Bovidae:

(a) all of the genus Bison (American bison) except where raised in captivity for domestic or commercial meat production;

(b) all of the genus Capra (ibex)

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1 except for the domestic species of goats;

2 (c) all of the genus *Ovis* (bighorn  
3 sheep) except for the domestic species of sheep;

4 (d) all of the genus *Ammotragus*  
5 (aoudad);

6 (e) all of the genus *Tragelaphus*  
7 (kudu); and

8 (f) all of the genus *Oryx* (oryx);

9 (3) all of the family Antilocapridae  
10 (American pronghorn);

11 (4) all of the family Cervidae (elk and  
12 deer);

13 (5) all of the family Ochotonidae (pikas);

14 (6) all of the genus *Sciurus* (squirrels);

15 (7) all of the genus *Tamiasciurus* (red  
16 squirrels);

17 (8) all of the genus *Marmota* (marmots) of the  
18 family Sciuridae;

19 (9) all of the family Ursidae (bear); and

20 (10) all of the species concolor (cougar) of  
21 the genus *Felis* and family Felidae.

22 B. The following birds are game birds:

23 (1) all of the family Anatidae (waterfowl);

24 (2) all of the family Tetraonidae (grouse and  
25 ptarmigans);

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- 1 (3) all of the family Phasianidae (quail,  
2 partridges and pheasants);
- 3 (4) all of the family Meleagridae (wild  
4 turkeys) except for the domestic strains of turkeys;
- 5 (5) all of the family Perdiciidae  
6 (francolins);
- 7 (6) all of the family Gruidae (cranes);
- 8 (7) all of the family Rallidae (rails, coots  
9 and gallinules);
- 10 (8) all of the family Charadriidae (plovers,  
11 turnstones and surfbirds);
- 12 (9) all of the family Scolopaciidae  
13 (shorebirds, snipe, sandpipers and curlews);
- 14 (10) all of the family Recurvirostridae  
15 (avocets and stilts);
- 16 (11) all of the family Phalaropodiidae  
17 (phalaropes); and
- 18 (12) all of the family Columbiidae (wild  
19 pigeons and doves) except for the domestic strains of pigeons.
- 20 C. The following fish are game fish:
- 21 (1) all of the family Salmonidae (trout);
- 22 (2) all of the family Esocidae (pike);
- 23 (3) all of the family Ictaluridae (catfish);
- 24 (4) all introduced species of the family  
25 Serranidae (sea bass and white bass);

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1 (5) all of the family Centrarchidae (sunfish,  
2 crappie and bass);

3 (6) all of the family Percidae (walleye pike  
4 and perch);

5 (7) all introduced species of the family  
6 Pomadasyidae (sargo); [~~and~~]

7 (8) all introduced species of the family  
8 Sciaenidae (corvina, bairdiella and redfish); and

9 (9) all of the family Cichlidae.

10 D. The following crustaceans are game crustaceans:

11 (1) all of the family Astacidae;

12 (2) all of the family Cambaridae; and

13 (3) all of the family Parastacidae. "

14 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. --The effective date of the  
15 provisions of this act is July 1, 1998.

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