

1 SENATE BILL 266

2 **53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO GAME AND FISH; AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 17 NMSA
12 1978 TO CLARIFY THE MISSION AND PURPOSE OF THE STATE GAME
13 COMMISSION.

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

16 SECTION 1. Section 17-1-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1921,
17 Chapter 35, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

18 "17-1-1. DECLARATION OF POLICY.--It is the purpose of
19 [~~this act~~] Chapter 17 NMSA 1978 and the policy of the state [~~of~~
20 ~~New Mexico~~] to provide an adequate and flexible system for the
21 protection of the [~~game and fish~~] wildlife of New Mexico [~~and~~
22 ~~for their use and development for public recreation and food~~
23 ~~supply~~] as a public trust resource for the use and enjoyment of
24 all New Mexicans, including future generations, and to provide
25 for their propagation, [~~planting~~] protection, regulation and

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1 conservation [~~to the extent necessary to provide and maintain~~
2 ~~an adequate supply of game and fish within the state of New~~
3 ~~Mexico~~]."

4 SECTION 2. Section 17-2-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1937,
5 Chapter 23, Section 1) is amended to read:

6 "17-2-2. GAME TO BE PROTECTED.-~~[The game animals and~~
7 ~~quadrupeds, game birds and fowl and game fish as herein defined~~
8 ~~shall be protected, and hunting, taking, capturing, killing or~~
9 ~~possession or attempt to hunt, take, capture or kill of any or~~
10 ~~all species named herein shall be regulated by the state game~~
11 ~~commission under the authority of Chapter 117 of the 1931~~
12 ~~Session Laws of the State of New Mexico]~~ The state game
13 commission has authority to protect all species of wildlife,
14 including protected game species, furbearers and non-game
15 species."