

SENATE FILE NO. SF0038

Hunter safety-exceptions.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Christensen and Representative(s)
 Baker, Brown, Byrd, Connolly, Greear,
 Petroff, Teeters, Watt and Zwonitzer, Dn.

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to hunting; providing exemptions to hunter
 2 safety course requirements; providing for multiple special
 3 authorizations; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-2-106(a), (c) and by creating a
 8 new subsection (d) is amended to read:

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10 **23-2-106. Hunter safety; exception.**

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12 (a) Except as provided in ~~subsection~~ subsections (c)
 13 and (d) of this section, no person born on or after January
 14 1, 1966, may take any wildlife by the use of firearms on
 15 land other than that of his own family, unless the person
 16 possesses or can demonstrate they have obtained a

1 certificate of competency and safety in the use and
2 handling of firearms as provided by subsection (b) of this
3 section.

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5 (c) A person who has not received a certificate of
6 competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms
7 as provided by subsection (b) of this section may apply to
8 the department for a special authorization to take wildlife
9 with the use of a firearm while being accompanied by a
10 person who has attained the age of majority, acting as a
11 mentor, who possesses or can demonstrate he has obtained a
12 certificate of competency and safety in the use and
13 handling of firearms and who possesses a valid Wyoming
14 hunting license. A mentor shall not provide supervision
15 for more than one (1) person, other than immediate family
16 members, at a time in the field. The special authorization
17 shall be valid for not more than one (1) year. ~~No person~~
18 ~~may apply for more than one (1) special authorization.~~
19 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as altering
20 the requirements of W.S. 23-2-102(a). The commission shall
21 promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the purposes
22 of this subsection.

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1 (d) The requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of
2 this section shall not apply to the following persons:

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4 (i) Any active member, honorably discharged past
5 member or veteran of the armed forces of the United States;

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7 (ii) Any active or retired Wyoming peace officer
8 who has qualified pursuant to W.S. 9-1-701 through 9-1-707.

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10 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2014.

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