STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This bill revises several sections of Title 36 to specify provisions pertaining specifically to black bear and grizzly bear to clarify and support management of an anticipated delisted Yellowstone grizzly bear population, consistent with the 2002 Idaho management plan for Yellowstone grizzly bear approved by the Idaho Legislature. This bill does not open any hunting season for delisted Yellowstone grizzly bear. This bill also removes obsolete references requiring nonresident disabled American hunters to hunt in association with a qualified organization to receive a reduced fee license; this requirement was statutorily deleted in 2014. This bill also revises taxidermist and furbuyer license requirements to include reporting of certain grizzly bear parts or skins and raw wolf skins, and this bill provides an extended timeframe for reporting control of depredating wolves when no permit is required.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund or to the fish and game dedicated fund because elements with a fiscal effect such as hunting penalty provisions are not implementable until Yellowstone Ecosystem grizzly bears are delisted and the Fish and Game Commission has set a hunting season.

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