LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO Sixty-seventh Legislature First Regular Session - 2023

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1143

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

- RELATING TO FISH AND GAME; AMENDING CHAPTER 5, TITLE 36, IDAHO CODE, BY THE 2 ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 36-507, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPO-SITION OF SEASONAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, AND 4 5 COLLECTION OF ANTLERS AND HORNS TO PROTECT WINTERING BIG GAME, TO PRO-VIDE CONDITIONS, TO PROVIDE AN EXCLUSION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROMUL-6 GATION OF RULES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE 7 DATE. 8
- 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

10 SECTION 1. That Chapter 5, Title 36, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-11 ignated as Section 36-507, Idaho Code, and to read as follows: 12

13 36-507. SEASONAL RESTRICTIONS ON POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, AND COLLECTION OF ANTLERS AND HORNS TO PROTECT WINTERING BIG GAME. (1) Notwith-14 standing any other provision of law to the contrary, the commission may, 15 by rule or proclamation embodying its findings in respect to a need for ac-16 tivity restrictions by time and place and in accordance with season setting 17 provisions identified in section 36-104(b), Idaho Code, provide seasonal 18 restrictions on the possession and transportation of shed antlers or horns 19 from deer, elk, moose, and pronghorn and antlers or horns from deer, elk, 20 moose, bighorn sheep, and pronghorn that have died from natural causes. The 21 22 commission may restrict the acts of searching for, locating, or gathering 23 antlers or horns under this section. Such seasonal restrictions shall be intended to protect wintering big game. 24

(2) These restrictions shall not apply to a person who is a private 25 landowner or his designee on land leased or owned by that person. 26

(3) The commission may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of 27 this section. 28

29 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after 30 31 July 1, 2023.

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