

Conceptual Amendment to Senate Bill No. 312

Proposed by Senator Hansen

1. Amend sec. 2 (NRS 503.655) to reinstate the requirement for the Commission to adopt regulations for the taking of shed antlers. Remove sec. 3 of the bill. In addition, require that those regulations allow a person to take or gather shed antlers or skulls or heads with antlers attached for personal, noncommercial use and regardless of whether the person holds a permit or tag for the animal:

1. The Commission shall adopt regulations for the taking of shed antlers. *The regulations must allow a person to take or gather shed antlers or skulls or heads with antlers attached for personal, noncommercial use and regardless of whether the person holds a permit or tag for the animal.*

2. As used in this section, “shed antlers” means antlers which have been naturally shed by any big game mammal in this State.

2. Amend NRS 502.150(1) to provide an exception for the amendment to NRS 503.655 in section 2:

NRS 502.150 Unlawful possession of wildlife without attached or validated tag; unlawful removal of tag.

1. [Whenever] *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1 of NRS 503.655, whenever* tags are required for any species of wildlife, it is unlawful to have any of that species in possession without the correct tag. Before transporting any species of wildlife, or parts thereof, for which a tag is required, the holder of:

(a) A paper tag must attach the tag to the animal; or

(b) An electronic tag must validate the tag in accordance with the regulations adopted by the Commission pursuant to NRS 502.160.

È Possession of any species of wildlife, or parts thereof, for which a tag is required without an attached or validated tag, as applicable, is prima facie evidence that the game is illegally taken and possessed.

2. It is unlawful to remove any tag from any wildlife for reuse or to be in possession of excess tags or used tags.

3. Whenever tags are required for any species of fur-bearing mammal, possession of a pelt of that species without the tag attached thereto or validated, as applicable, is prima facie evidence that such pelt is illegally taken and possessed.