

**Bill Summary**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB 879</b>
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 879 increases the fees on nonresident hunting licenses for game other than deer, antelope, elk or bear by \$20.00 and reduces the combined hunting/fishing license fee issued to residents from \$41.00 to \$36.00. Additionally, a combined hunting/fishing license for landowners is created by the measure. The fee for the newly created license is set at \$75.00. The Department of Wildlife Conservation may only issue one license for each 80 acres owned by the landowner.

The measure permits hunting, killing, capture, or other taking of any furbearer under rules developed by the Wildlife Conservation Commission. The measure strikes current language prohibiting such hunting or capture of furbearers during certain seasons. SB 879 also repeals sections of laws requiring permission to trap on inhabited lands and prohibition on the use of trapping devices for catching wildlife.

**House Amendments**

House Amendments to SB 879 adds a new section of amendatory law that modifies the fees for nonresident hunting licenses and hunting/fishing licenses for residents. The amended measure also creates a new hunting/fishing license for landowners.

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