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SENATE BILL 21-168

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

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HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

Senate Committees

Agriculture & Natural Resources

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING A PROHIBITION ON REQUIRING AN INDIVIDUAL TO
102 POSSESS A LICENSE TO HUNT WILDLIFE TO BE PRESENT IN STATE
103 WILDLIFE AREAS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill prohibits the parks and wildlife commission from requiring or adopting rules requiring a hunting or fishing license to enter, use, or occupy a state wildlife area unless the person is doing so to hunt or fish.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 33-1-107, **amend** (1)
3 introductory portion; and **add** (3) as follows:

4 **33-1-107. Regulation of areas under wildlife commission**
5 **control - rules - definition.** (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3)
6 OF THIS SECTION, the commission shall adopt such rules ~~or regulations~~ as
7 may be reasonably necessary for the administration, protection, and
8 maintenance of all land and water, or interests in land and water, acquired
9 by the commission. The term "interests in land and water", as used in this
10 section, means any ~~and all~~ rights and interests in land or water less than
11 the full fee interest. Specifically, the commission ~~shall have power to~~
12 MAY adopt rules ~~or regulations~~ upon the following matters:

13 (3) THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT REQUIRE OR ADOPT RULES
14 REQUIRING ANY INDIVIDUAL TO HOLD A VALID HUNTING OR FISHING
15 LICENSE TO ENTER, USE, OR OCCUPY ANY PORTION OF A STATE WILDLIFE
16 AREA, UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL IS ENTERING, USING, OR OCCUPYING THE
17 PORTION OF THE STATE WILDLIFE AREA TO TAKE WILDLIFE OR TO HUNT OR
18 FISH FOR WILDLIFE.

19 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
20 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
21 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
22 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
23 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
24 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
25 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in

- 1 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.