## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 112-ASSEMBLYMAN ELLISON

## PREFILED FEBRUARY 7, 2017

## Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining

SUMMARY—Requires the Legislative Auditor to conduct an audit of certain fees paid by applicants for game tags for predatory wildlife programs and activities. (BDR S-623)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to wildlife; requiring the Legislative Auditor to conduct an audit of the use of the revenue generated by certain fees paid by applicants for game tags for programs, activities and research relating to the management and control of predatory wildlife, and the protection of nonpredatory game animals and sensitive wildlife species; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:** 

Existing law requires the Department of Wildlife to collect a processing fee of \$3 from each applicant applying for a game tag for credit to the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund. Existing law also requires the revenue generated from this fee to be used for costs related to: (1) developing and implementing an annual program for the management and control of predatory wildlife; (2) protecting nonpredatory game animals and sensitive wildlife species; and (3) conducting research necessary to determine successful techniques for managing and controlling predatory wildlife. (NRS 502.253) This bill requires the Legislative Auditor to conduct an audit of the use of the revenue generated by the processing fees collected from applicants applying for game tags.





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## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** 1. The Legislative Auditor shall conduct an audit concerning the use of the revenue generated by the fees collected pursuant to NRS 502.253 for processing applications for a game tag. The Department of Wildlife, the Board of Wildlife Commissioners and the State Department of Agriculture shall provide such information as is required by the Legislative Auditor to assist with the completion of the audit.
- 2. The audit conducted pursuant to this section must include, without limitation, an examination and analysis of:
- (a) The process used by the Department of Wildlife to ensure that the fees collected pursuant to NRS 502.253 are correctly and accurately deposited and recorded;
- (b) Whether the revenue generated by the fees collected pursuant to NRS 502.253 for programs, activities and research is used in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations;
- (c) The amount of unexpended revenue generated by the fees collected pursuant to NRS 502.253; and
- (d) The process for evaluating the results of the programs, activities and research funded by the revenue generated from the fees collected pursuant to NRS 502.253 including, without limitation, any performance and outcome indicators used to measure the effectiveness of a program or activity and methods used to track and report the results of the evaluation.
- 3. On or before January 31, 2019, the Legislative Auditor shall present a final written report of the audit to the Audit Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission created by NRS 218E.240.
  - **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.





