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Senator Bill Raggio,

We would like to strongly encourage your support of SB 420 which will allow the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to periodically adjust fees based on the Consumer Price Index, allows the Division to suspend, revoke or refuse to issue or renew any tag, permit, or certificate of a person who does not pay a civil penalty in a timely manner, prohibiting certain persons from hunting certain upland game birds under certain circumstances, and creates the Wildlife Obligated Reserve Account in the State General Fund.

NDOW has not been able to keep up with expense because of inflation and is in danger of not providing services to the Nevada Citizens. We know the idea of indexing is not supported by many legislatures but the processing of returning every two years requesting more funds is wasteful in itself. The Board of Commissioners needs the authority to increase fees as established by inflation (the Consumer Price Index). This bill also has a requirement to keep the Senators and Assemblymen informed on what fees were collected and adjusted. They will not be unsupervised and "out of control".

As avid hunters and fishermen we would like to see NDOW continue to grow and provide more opportunities to current and future hunters and fishermen. Let us give them the money and responsibility to grow with the needs of Nevada.

Again we strongly encourage and solicit your support in passing SB 420.

Respectfully,

Martin J. Bordini Pres. *Robert Ross*
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