

SENATE BILL NO. 141—SENATORS HANSEN, GOICOECHEA,
BUCK, TITUS, DONATE; KRASNER AND STONE

FEBRUARY 14, 2023

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions related to wildlife.
(BDR 45-294)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to wildlife; eliminating the requirement that a holder of a license or permit to hunt, fish or trap has the license or permit in his or her possession while hunting, fishing or trapping; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Under existing law, a person who is required to have a license or permit to
2 hunt, fish or trap is also required to have the license or permit in his or her
3 possession while engaging in hunting, fishing or trapping. Such a person is guilty of
4 a misdemeanor if, while engaged in hunting, fishing or trapping, the person fails to
5 have the license or permit in his or her possession or refuses to exhibit the license
6 or permit upon the demand of any officer authorized to enforce the fish and game
7 laws of this State. (NRS 502.120)

8 **Section 1** of this bill eliminates the requirement for a person to have the license
9 or permit to hunt, fish or trap in his or her possession while engaged in such activity
10 or to exhibit the license or permit on demand.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 502.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 502.120 ~~[1.]~~ Each person required to have a license or permit
3 as provided in this title who, while engaged in any activity regulated
4 by this title, refuses to exhibit ~~[the license or permit,]~~ any wildlife
5 which the person may have in his or her possession, or any weapon,
6 ammunition, device or apparatus in his or her possession which may



1 be used for any activity regulated by this title, upon the demand of
2 any officer authorized to enforce the fish and game laws of this
3 State, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

4 ~~[2. Each person required to have a license or permit as
5 provided in this chapter who, while engaged in any activity
6 regulated by this title, fails to have the license or permit in his or her
7 possession is guilty of a misdemeanor. A person charged with
8 violating this subsection may not be convicted if the person
9 produces in court a license or permit previously issued to the person
10 and valid at the time of his or her arrest.]~~

11 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.

