

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB772
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Request Number:	
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

SB772 authorizes the Department of Wildlife to issue permits to agricultural lessees, with written permission from the landowner, to control damage or nuisance caused by wildlife. With the permit, the lessee may control wildlife at night in order to protect marketable agricultural crops or other materials.

The measure allows landowners and lessees to control nuisance or damage by coyotes or feral swine without a permit, during the day or night, in order to protect marketable agricultural crops.

The measure increases the fines for “headlighting” and for hunting wildlife with the aid of any motor-driven land, air, or water conveyance. Any person convicted of a violation can lose their hunting and fishing license for a minimum of 6 months, and a maximum of 10 years.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.