

**ELECTRONIC STAMP DESIGNATION**

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill addresses the purchase of an electronic duck stamp.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ authorizes the Division of Wildlife Resources (division) to provide for the purchase of an electronic duck stamp on the division's website;
- ▶ requires the payment of a fee for the purchase of an electronic duck stamp on the division's website; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**23-14-18**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 57

ENACTS:

**23-19-50**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **23-14-18** is amended to read:

**23-14-18. Establishment of seasons, locations, limits, and regulations by the**

30 **Wildlife Board.**

31 (1) To provide an adequate and flexible system of protection, propagation,  
32 introduction, increase, control, harvest, management, and conservation of protected wildlife in  
33 this state and to provide for the use and development of protected wildlife for public recreation  
34 and food supply while maintaining a sustainable population of protected wildlife, the Wildlife  
35 Board shall determine the circumstances, time, location, means, and the amounts, and numbers  
36 of protected wildlife which may be taken.

37 (2) The Wildlife Board shall, except as otherwise specified in this code:

38 (a) fix seasons and shorten, extend, or close seasons on any species of protected  
39 wildlife in any locality, or in the entire state, if the board finds that the action is necessary to  
40 effectuate proper wildlife management and control;

41 (b) close or open areas to fishing, trapping, or hunting;

42 (c) establish refuges and preserves;

43 (d) regulate and prescribe the means by which protected wildlife may be taken;

44 (e) regulate the transportation and storage of protected wildlife, or their parts, within  
45 the boundaries of the state and the shipment or transportation out of the state;

46 (f) establish or change bag limits and possession limits;

47 (g) prescribe safety measures and establish other regulations as may be considered  
48 necessary in the interest of wildlife conservation and the safety and welfare of hunters,  
49 trappers, fishermen, landowners, and the public;

50 (h) (i) prescribe when licenses, permits, tags, and certificates of registration shall be  
51 required and procedures for their issuance and use; and

52 (ii) establish forms and fees for licenses, permits, tags, and certificates of registration;  
53 and

54 (i) prescribe rules and regulations as it may consider necessary to control the use and  
55 harvest of protected wildlife by private associations, clubs, partnerships, or corporations,  
56 provided the rules and regulations do not preclude the landowner from personally controlling  
57 trespass upon the owner's properties nor from charging a fee to trespass for purposes of hunting

58 or fishing.

59 (3) The Wildlife Board may allow a season on protected wildlife to commence on any  
60 day of the week except Sunday.

61 (4) (a) The Wildlife Board shall establish fees for licenses, permits, tags, and  
62 certificates of registration in accordance with Section [63J-1-504](#).

63 (b) The Wildlife Board may adjust the amount for an electronic duck stamp fee as  
64 provided in Section [23-19-50](#).

65 (5) The Wildlife Board may not issue a license, permit, tag, or certificate of registration  
66 as a reward for an individual's assistance with a prosecution for violation of Section [76-6-111](#).

67 Section 2. Section **23-19-50** is enacted to read:

68 **23-19-50. Electronic duck stamp -- Fee.**

69 (1) As used in this section, "duck stamp" means the migratory bird hunting and  
70 conservation stamp described in 16 U.S.C. Sec. 718a.

71 (2) The division may provide for the purchase of an electronic duck stamp by an  
72 individual on the division's website, as authorized by 16 U.S.C. Sec. 718p.

73 (3) Except as described in Subsection (5), there is imposed a \$30 electronic duck stamp  
74 fee for an electronic duck stamp purchased on the division's website.

75 (4) The division shall deposit the electronic duck stamp fee collected under Subsection  
76 (3) into the Wildlife Resources Account created in Section [23-14-13](#).

77 (5) (a) Notwithstanding the fee amount described in Subsection (3), the Wildlife Board  
78 may increase or decrease the electronic duck stamp fee to an amount that is no less than the  
79 amount the division is required to submit to the secretary of the interior under 16 U.S.C. 718r.

80 (b) An adjustment made by the Wildlife Board under Subsection (5)(a) takes effect  
81 when confirmed in the legislative fee schedule adopted in the general session of the Legislature  
82 immediately following the adjustment.