



Proposed Initiatives 2017 Legislative Session





Odd Numbered Years are 60-Day Sessions

Department Sponsored Initiatives

- Enhanced Penalties for Wildlife Violations of Wanton Waste (felony).
- Off Highway Vehicle - Penalty Assessments related to their operation on paved streets.



Waste of Game (Trophy poaching)

- Proposed legislation would be species specific for only: antelope, big horn sheep, deer, elk, ibex, oryx and pronghorn antelope.
- Violation would be for killing outside of season or without a valid license resulting in the waste of game, which consists of leaving specific portions of meat to waste in the field.
- This legislation has been before the Commission for approval in the past.



Off Highway Penalty Assessment

- Senate Bill 270 was signed by the Governor which allows for the operation of Off Highway Vehicles on paved streets with certain restrictions.
- Under the new bill there are five specific requirements for licensing, operation and required equipment when operated on paved streets.
- The bill did not address specific penalty assessments to these requirements.
- Legislation the department wishes to present will address these issues.



Continuing the Process

- Commission approval required.
- Executive Branch approval required.
- Drafting of legislation and assignment of bill sponsor.
- Next Session Dates:
 - Pre-file Legislation begins Dec 15, 2016.
 - Session starts on January 17, 2017 ends March 18, 2017.





Comments?

