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CHAPTER 182
SENATE BILL 1118

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 17-304, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE TAKING AND HANDLING OF WILDLIFE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 17-304, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 17-304. Prohibition by landowner on hunting; posting; exception

5 A. Landowners or lessees of private land who desire to prohibit
6 hunting, fishing or trapping on their lands without their written permission
7 shall post such lands closed to hunting, fishing or trapping using notices or
8 signboards.

9 B. State or federal lands including those under lease may not be
10 posted except by consent of the commission.

11 C. The notices or signboards shall meet all of the following criteria:

12 1. Be not less than eight inches by eleven inches with plainly legible
13 wording in capital and bold-faced lettering at least one inch high.

14 2. Contain the words "no hunting", "no trapping" or "no fishing"
15 either as a single phrase or in any combination.

16 3. Be conspicuously placed on a structure or post at least four feet
17 above ground level at all points of vehicular access, at all property or
18 fence corners and at intervals of not more than one-quarter mile along the
19 property boundary, except that a post with one hundred square inches or more
20 of orange paint may serve as the interval notices between property or fence
21 corners and points of vehicular access. The orange paint shall be clearly
22 visible and shall cover the entire aboveground surface of the post facing
23 outward and on both lateral sides from the closed area.

24 D. The entry of any person for the taking of wildlife shall not be
25 grounds for an action for criminal trespassing pursuant to section 13-1502
26 unless either:

27 1. The land has been posted pursuant to this section and the notices
28 and signboards also contain the words "no trespassing".

29 2. The person knowingly remains unlawfully on any real property after
30 a reasonable request to leave by **A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ACTING AT THE**
31 **REQUEST OF THE OWNER**, the owner or any other person having lawful control
32 over the property or the person knowingly disregards reasonable notice
33 prohibiting ~~trespass at the person's~~ entry to any real property.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 23, 2014.

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