

## Bison-related Legislation in 2012-13 Session

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<a href="#">HB 249</a>	LC1105	Alan Doane	(H) Died in Standing Committee *	04/24/2013	Revising laws related to presence of bison/buffalo on private property
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"AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE PRESENCE OF WILD BUFFALO OR WILD BISON ON PRIVATE PROPERTY; AMENDING SECTION 81-2-121, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

<a href="#">HB 328</a>	LC1168	Ted Washburn	Chapter Number Assigned	04/12/2013	Allowing hunter notification of wild buffalo/bison location
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AN ACT ALLOWING NOTIFICATION OF SPECIAL WILD BUFFALO HUNTING LICENSE RECIPIENTS AS TO WHERE WILD BUFFALO OR BISON ARE LOCATED; AND AMENDING SECTION 87-2-730, MCA.

<a href="#">HB 396</a>	LC1600	Mike Lang	(H) Died in Process *	04/24/2013	Revise laws regarding translocation of wild buffalo/bison
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AN ACT REQUIRING APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BEFORE THE DEPARTMENTS OF LIVESTOCK OR FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS MAY AUTHORIZE ANY RELEASE, TRANSPLANTATION, OR RELOCATION OF WILD BUFFALO OR BISON CERTIFIED AS BRUCELLOSIS-FREE INTO A MONTANA COUNTY; AMENDING SECTIONS 81-2-120 AND 87-1-216, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE

<a href="#">HB 484</a>	LC1970	Alan Redfield	(H) Died in Standing Committee *	04/24/2013	Generally revise bison laws
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS FOR MANAGING WILD BUFFALO OR WILD BISON THAT MIGRATE FROM YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK INTO THE STATE OF MONTANA; AMENDING SECTIONS 81-2-120, 87-1-216, 87-1-271, 87-1-304, 87-2-101, 87-2-701, 87-2-702, 87-2-730, 87-2-731, AND 87-6-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

<a href="#"><u>HB</u></a> <a href="#"><u>507</u></a>	LC0081	Bill Harris	(H) <b>Died</b> in Standing Committee *	04/24/2013	Generally revising management of wild buffalo and wild bison
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING MANAGEMENT OF WILD BUFFALO AND WILD BISON; APPLYING LIVESTOCK LAWS TO CERTAIN WILD BUFFALO AND WILD BISON; RESTRICTING WHERE WILD BUFFALO AND WILD BISON MAY BE RELEASED OR TRANSPLANTED; GRANTING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-101, 15-24-921, 81-1-101, 81-2-120, 81-3-201, 81-4-602, 81-4-603, 81-5-101, 81-5-104, 87-1-216, 87-1-271, 87-1-304, 87-2-101, 87-2-701, 87-2-702, 87-2-730, 87-2-731, 87-6-101, AND 87-6-906, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTION 81-2-121, MCA."

<a href="#"><u>HB</u></a> <a href="#"><u>610</u></a>	LC0960	Bill Harris	(H) <b>Died</b> in Standing Committee *	04/24/2013	Generally revise management of wild buffalo and wild bison
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<a href="#"><u>SB 143</u></a>	LC0958	John Brenden	(H) <b>Died</b> in Process *	04/24/2013	Revise bison management
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING BISON MANAGEMENT LAWS; ESTABLISHING A ~~YEAR-ROUND~~ HUNTING SEASON; INCREASING THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE LICENSES; PROHIBITING THE TRANSFER, RELOCATION, OR TRANSPLANTATION OF WILD BUFFALO WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS; GRANTING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 81-2-120, 81-2-121, 87-1-216, 87-1-301, 87-1-304, 87-2-506, 87-2-701, 87-2-702, 87-2-730, AND 87-2-731, ~~AND 87-6-304,~~ MCA."

<a href="#">SB 256</a>	LC0847	Frederick (Eric) Moore	(S) Died in Process *	05/06/2013	Making FWP liable for private property damages caused by wild buffalo/bison
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AN ACT MAKING THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS LIABLE FOR DAMAGE TO PRIVATE PROPERTY BY CERTAIN WILD BUFFALO AND BISON; REQUIRING AN ESTIMATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY DAMAGE AND COSTS FOR WHICH THE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE LIABLE IF A WILD BUFFALO OR BISON PROPOSED FOR RELEASE OR TRANSPLANTATION ESCAPES; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTION 87-1-216, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

<a href="#">SB 305</a>	LC0155	Jim Peterson	(S) Died in Process *	05/06/2013	Generally revise laws governing bison management in Montana
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AN ACT REVISING THE DEFINITION OF WILD BUFFALO AND WILD BISON; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 81-1-101, 87-2-101, AND 87-6-101, MCA

<a href="#">LC1827</a>	01/07/2013	Gene Vuckovich	(C) Draft Died in Process *	04/24/2013	Prohibit state funds for movement or relocation of bison to Spotted Dog WMA
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS FROM EXPENDING ANY FUNDS ON THE RELOCATION OR TRANSPLANTATION OF WILD BUFFALO OR BISON ON THE SPOTTED DOG WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA; AMENDING SECTIONS 87-1-201 AND 87-1-216, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

<a href="#">LC1946</a>	01/10/2013	Gene Vuckovich	(C) Draft Died in Process *	04/24/2013	Revise laws related to bison
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