Citizen Resolution # 130421

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Eliminate the indemnity for dogs hunting bears and wolves

Although using dogs to track, chase and corner large animals such as bears, coyotes, fox and wolves is allowed under current WDNR hunting rules, it is a barbaric practice not in the interest of fair chase. As such, anyone using this method assumes the risk of injury or death of their dogs. The state should not be liable for payment for the loss of these animals. It is obvious that the "hunter" knows the risk and is willing to sacrifice their animal for sport, all the while assuming that the State should be liable for any loss incurred. Be it resolved that the state indemnity for the injury and death of dogs used for cornering bears and wolves be eliminated.

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