

# House File 12 - Introduced

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act prohibiting the use of artificial light on certain  
2 wildlife during specified dates for hunting or recreational  
3 purposes and making a penalty applicable.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
5 TLSB 1608HH 83  
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1 1 Section 1. Section 481A.93, Code 2009, is amended by  
1 2 adding the following new subsection:  
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. A person shall not throw or cast the  
1 4 rays of a spotlight, headlight, or other artificial light on a  
1 5 highway, or in a field, woodland, or forest for the purpose of  
1 6 spotting, locating, or taking or attempting to take or hunt a  
1 7 bird or animal, except raccoons or other fur-bearing animals  
1 8 when treed with the aid of dogs, from the dates of September  
1 9 15 through December 31 of each year.

1 10 EXPLANATION

1 11 This bill prohibits the use of spotlights, headlights, or  
1 12 other artificial lights to spot, locate, take or attempt to  
1 13 take, or hunt birds or animals, except raccoons or other  
1 14 fur-bearing animals when treed with the aid of dogs, from the  
1 15 dates of September 15 through December 31 of each year. This  
1 16 prohibition is in addition to the current prohibition against  
1 17 use of such artificial lights by a person or group of persons  
1 18 while in possession of weapons or other devices to kill or  
1 19 take birds or animals.

1 20 A violation of the new provision is punishable by a  
1 21 scheduled fine of \$100.

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