

CHAPTER 33

(HB 209)

AN ACT relating to the donation of game meat.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. KRS 217.217 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) As used in this section:
 - (a) ***"Cooperative extension agency" means the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service and the Kentucky State University Cooperative Extension Program;***
 - (b)~~(a)~~ "Not-for-profit organization" means an organization duly organized and validly existing as a not-for-profit organization under the laws of the Commonwealth and exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;
 - (c)~~(b)~~ "Take" has the same meaning as in KRS 150.010; and
 - (d)~~(c)~~ "Wildlife" has the same meaning as in KRS 150.010.
- (2) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no state or local government entity, including any local health department, shall restrict the donation of game meat to or from a not-for-profit organization, ***cooperative extension agency, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, or any government agency*** for the ~~purposes~~~~purpose~~ ***of education, promotion of hunting or fishing, or*** free meal distribution to individuals in need if the game meat came from fish or wildlife that was:
 - (a) Taken within the Commonwealth;
 - (b) Properly field dressed and processed; and
 - (c) Apparently disease-free when taken and unspoiled when processed.

Signed by Governor March 17, 2021.