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Sectional Analysis – HB 229 Version I

Sec. 1: Provides additional authority to the Big Game Commercial Services Board to create regulations to administer the regulation of big game guides. Under current statute, the board is limited to regulations that are “required” under statute.

Sec. 2: Creates a provision in statute for a retired master guide-outfitter license that recognizes those that have earned a master guide-outfitter license. No privileges are granted under the license to provide guiding services.

Sec. 3: Clarifies language to specify that a guide-outfitter may provide the services of a class-A assistant guide under the control of a contracting guide-outfitter anywhere the contracting guide-outfitter is licensed to contract hunts.

Sec. 4: Changes the requirements for a registered guide-outfitter to require them to be in the field supervising, participating in, and conducting a hunt as defined under regulation by the board, unless a class-A assistant guide is conducting the hunt.

Sec. 5: Provides the board with the power to suspend or revoke a license of someone engaged in conduct involving unprofessionalism, moral turpitude, or gross immorality.

Sec. 6: Changes penalties for certain violations to allow a court to order the board to suspend a license instead of requiring a court to order the board to suspend a license.

Sec. 7: Authorizes the department to set a fee for the new retired master guide-outfitter license.

Sec. 8: Conforming language to specify the holder of a retired master guide-outfitter license may not guide.

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