

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

SB 1657 requires game wardens to be certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education Training. The measure also modifies threatened species to excluded those designated by federal government and strikes the requirement for the Wildlife Conservation Commission to hire women and minorities. Additionally, the measure strikes the power of the Director to refer violators to the district attorney as well as the power to prosecute violations. The measure provides that the Director shall instead enforce the Commission's mandate in coordination with law enforcement agencies in the state. The measure provides that the wildlife of the state is the property of the people instead of the state.

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