

# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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## 2023 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

### House Bill 2620

By Delegates Burkhammer, Steele, Pinson, Dean,  
and Vance

[Introduced January 17, 2023; Referred to the  
Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources  
then the Judiciary]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
 2 designated §20-2-56b, relating to the creation of an "upland game bird" stamp to support  
 3 the purchase and release of upland game birds in West Virginia Wildlife Management  
 4 Areas.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.**

**§20-2-56b. Upland game bird stamp.**

1 (a) There is hereby created an "upland game bird" stamp that may be purchased alongside  
 2 a standard hunting license for the purpose of hunting upland game birds in West Virginia.

3 (b) "Upland game birds" are defined as ruffed grouse, bobwhite quail, ring necked  
 4 pheasant, woodcock and snipe. The definition of upland game birds may be modified by the West  
 5 Virginia Division of Natural Resources.

6 (c) The cost of the upland game bird stamp shall be \$10, and the proceeds of the stamp  
 7 shall be used by the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources of purchase and release upland  
 8 game birds into West Virginia Wildlife Management Areas.

9 (d) The Director shall be responsible for administering the upland game bird stamp.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create the "upland game bird" stamp to be administered by the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.