## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 636**

Introduced by Bostelman, 23.

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Committee: Natural Resources

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to game and parks; to amend sections 37-564
- 2 and 37-568, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change
- 3 provisions relating to interference with a person hunting, trapping,
- 4 or fishing; and to repeal the original sections.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. Section 37-564, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 37-564 (1) No person shall knowingly and intentionally interfere or
- 4 attempt to interfere with another person who is not trespassing and who
- 5 is lawfully hunting or trapping any game bird, game animal, fur-bearing
- 6 animal, or other wild mammal or bird or engaged in activity associated
- 7 with hunting or trapping.
- 8 (2) No person shall knowingly and intentionally interfere or attempt
- 9 to interfere with another person who is not trespassing and who is
- 10 lawfully fishing or engaged in activity associated with fishing.
- 11 (3) No person shall knowingly and intentionally interfere or attempt
- 12 <u>to interfere by intimidation using a telephone or other electronic method</u>
- of communication with another person who is not trespassing and who is
- 14 <u>lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing or engaged in activity associated</u>
- 15 with hunting, trapping, or fishing.
- 16 (4) (3) For purposes of this section, (a) activity associated with
- 17 hunting, trapping, or fishing shall mean travel, camping, or other acts
- 18 that are preparatory to or in conjunction with hunting, trapping, or
- 19 fishing on lands or waters upon which hunting, trapping, or fishing may
- 20 lawfully occur and that are done by a hunter, a trapper, or an angler or
- 21 by a member of a hunting, trapping, or fishing party and (b) interfere
- 22 shall mean (i) disturbing, scaring, chasing, or otherwise driving away by
- 23 any means any game bird, game animal, fur-bearing animal, other wild
- 24 mammal or bird, or game fish, but shall not include releasing a non-fur-
- 25 bearing animal, except a coyote, from a trap, (ii) impeding or
- 26 obstructing a person who is hunting, trapping, or fishing, (iii) impeding
- 27 or obstructing a person who is engaged in an activity associated with
- 28 hunting, trapping, or fishing, (iv) affecting the condition or location
- 29 of personal property intended for use in hunting, trapping, or fishing,
- 30 and (v) intentionally placing himself or herself into the line of fire
- 31 for the purpose of interfering with lawful hunting or trapping.

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1 Sec. 2. Section 37-568, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 37-568 It shall be unlawful for any person to use any aircraft,
- 4 vessel, vehicle, snowmobile, or other conveyance, firearm, bow and arrow,
- 5 projectile, device, radio, telephone, an electronic device, or other
- 6 equipment in the commission of any of the acts prohibited under section
- 7 37-564 or 37-567.
- 8 Sec. 3. Original sections 37-564 and 37-568, Reissue Revised
- 9 Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.