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AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 1-82-a

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING RABBITS AND GROUND SQUIRRELS TO BE PESTS; SPECIFICATION OF THE MANNER OF EXTERMINATION OF RABBITS AND GROUND SQUIRRELS: PROHIBITION AGAINST AND PENALTY FOR CLUBBING RABBITS AND GROUND SQUIRRELS IN AN INHUMANE MANNER; AND PROHIBITION AGAINST AND PENALTY FOR ALLOWING CHILDREN UNDER SIXTEEN (16) YEARS OF AGE TO CLUB THESE PESTS.

Be it ordained by the Board of County Commissioners of Butte County, Idaho, that Rabbits and Ground Squirrels are hereby declared to be Agricultural Pests and that these pests may be exterminated within Butte County.

Method Of Extermination: The Board of County Commissioners of Butte County, Idaho, does hereby establish "Clubbing" or "Rabbit Drives" as being the methods by which the above ennumerated agricultural pests are to be exterminated within Butte County.

The Board of County Commissioners of Butte County, Idaho, does hereby declare that anyone who participates in clubbing a rabbit or ground squirrel inhumanely by throwing such an animal into the air and striking it in midair "baseball style" shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Punishment for this offense shall be a fine of not more than three-hundred ($300) dollars or buy imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

The Board of County Commissioners does further declare that the parent or guardian of a minor child under sixteen (16) years of age or any organizer of a pest extermination or clubbing drive who knowlingly allows a minor under sixteen (16) years of age to participate in the actual clubbing or killing of rabbits or ground squirrels within the killing or clubbing pens shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Punishment for this offense shall be a fine of not more than three-hundred dollars ($300)

or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed six (6) months, or by both fine and imprisonment. Minor children under sixteen (16) years of age shall be allowed to participate in the driving or herding of rabbits or ground squirrels prior to the killing of these pests.

Due to the impending danger of crop destruction posed by these pests, the Board of County Commissioners does hereby proclaim that this ordinance shall take effect immediately and that this ordinance shall be posted in five (5) public places within the county, posting of this ordinance to be done without delay.

Passed Under Suspension of the Rules this 8th day of February, 1982.

Kenneth L. McAffee
Chairman of Board of
County Commissioners

Attest:

JUDITH R. BAILEY
County Clerk-Recorder