

70-8-101. Short title. —

This part shall be known as the “Tennessee Nongame and Endangered or Threatened Wildlife Species Conservation Act of 1974.”

[Acts 1974, ch. 769, § 1; T.C.A., § 51-901.]

70-8-102. Declaration of policy. —

The general assembly finds and declares that:

(1) It is the policy of this state to manage certain nongame wildlife to ensure their perpetuation as members of ecosystems, for scientific purposes, and for human enjoyment;

(2) Species or subspecies of wildlife indigenous to this state that may be found to be endangered or threatened within the state should be accorded protection in order to maintain and, to the extent possible, enhance their numbers;

(3) The state should assist in the protection of species or subspecies of wildlife that are deemed to be endangered or threatened elsewhere by prohibiting the taking, possession, transportation, exportation, processing, sale or offer for sale or shipment within this state of species or subspecies of wildlife listed on the United States' List of Endangered Fish and Wildlife as set forth in this part, unless such actions will assist in preserving or propagating the species or subspecies; and

(4) Adequate funding should be made available to the agency annually by appropriations from the general fund or from other sources for management of nongame and endangered species.

[Acts 1974, ch. 769, § 2; T.C.A., § 51-902.]

11-1-103. Cooperation with wildlife resources agency — Relationships between divisions. —

The several divisions located within the department of environment and conservation shall cooperate with the state wildlife resources agency, and the employees of the divisions shall lend whatever assistance is necessary to carry out the provisions of the game and fish laws. Likewise, the employees of the state wildlife resources agency shall cooperate with the other divisions in the department and lend assistance whenever it is deemed necessary by the commissioner of environment and conservation, it being the purpose to coordinate fully the activities of the state wildlife resources agency with other conservation activities in the department. In the event any controversy shall arise in the department between any of the various divisions therein as to their respective duties and functions, the commissioner shall have authority to make the final decision concerning the controversy, and to define the respective limits of authority of each division.

[Acts 1949, ch. 50, § 19; C. Supp. 1950, § 255.69A (Williams, § 5120.37); impl. am. Acts 1959, ch. 9, § 11; impl. am. Acts 1963, ch. 169, § 3; impl. am. Acts 1974, ch. 481, §§ 4, 6; T.C.A. (orig. ed.), § 11-103.]

70-8-104. Nongame species — Promulgation of regulations — Prohibited acts. —

(a) The executive director shall conduct an investigation on nongame wildlife in order to develop information relating to population, distribution, habitat, needs, limiting factors, and other biological and ecological data to determine management measures necessary for their continued ability to sustain themselves successfully. On the basis of such determinations, the wildlife resources commission shall issue proposed regulations not later than April 5, 1975, and develop management programs designed to ensure the continued ability of nongame, endangered or threatened wildlife to perpetuate themselves successfully. Such proposed regulations shall set forth species or subspecies of nongame wildlife that the executive director deems in need of management pursuant to this section, giving their common and scientific names by species or subspecies. The executive director shall conduct ongoing investigations of nongame wildlife and may from time to time recommend amendments to such regulations by adding to or deleting from the regulations species or subspecies of nongame wildlife.

(b) The commission shall by such regulations establish proposed limitations relating to habitat, alteration, taking, possession, transportation, exportation, processing, sale or offer for sale, or shipment as may be deemed necessary to manage such nongame wildlife.

(c) Except as provided in regulations issued by the commission, it is unlawful for any person to take, attempt to take, possess, transport, export, process, sell or offer for sale or ship nongame wildlife. Subject to the same exception, it is also unlawful for any common or contract carrier knowingly to transport or receive for shipment nongame wildlife.

[Acts 1974, ch. 769, § 4; 1982, ch. 738, § 35; T.C.A., § 51-904; Acts 1986, ch. 882, § 20.]

70-8-105. Endangered or threatened species list. —

(a) On the basis of investigation on nongame wildlife provided for in § [70-8-104](#) and other available scientific and commercial data, and after consultation with other state wildlife agencies, appropriate federal agencies, and other interested persons and organizations, but not later than April 5, 1975, the wildlife resources commission shall by regulation propose a list of those species or subspecies of wildlife indigenous to the state that are determined to be endangered and threatened within this state, giving their common and scientific names by species and subspecies. This list shall be made available to the public.

(b) The commission shall conduct a review of the state list of endangered species within not more than two (2) years from its effective date and every two (2) years thereafter, and may amend the list by such additions or deletions as are deemed appropriate. The executive director shall submit to the governor a summary report of the data used in support of all amendments to the state list during the preceding biennium and shall make a current list available to the public.

(c) In the event the United States' List of Endangered Native Fish and Wildlife is modified subsequent to April 5, 1974, by additions or deletions, such modifications whether or not involving species or subspecies indigenous to the state may be accepted as binding if, after the type of scientific determination described in subsection (a), the wildlife resources commission by regulation accepts such modification for the state. Any such regulation shall be effective upon promulgation.

[Acts 1974, ch. 769, § 5; T.C.A., § 51-904; Acts 1986, ch. 882, §§ 21, 22.]

WILDLIFE PROCLAMATIONS

TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION-1660

PROCLAMATION 00-14 WILDLIFE IN NEED OF MANAGEMENT

Pursuant to the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 70-8-104 and 70-8-107, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission does hereby declare the following species to be wildlife in need of management.

SECTION I. SPECIES

FISH

CommonName	ScientificName	FedStatus*
Alabama Shad	<i>Alosa alabamae</i>	_____
Crystal Darter	<i>Ammocrypta asprella</i>	MC
Naked Sand Darter	<i>Ammocrypta beani</i>	_____
Scaly Sand Darter	<i>Ammocryptavivax</i>	_____
Highfin Carpsucker	<i>Carpiodes velifer</i>	_____
Smoky Dace	<i>Clinostomus</i> sp. cf. <i>funduloides</i>	_____
Emerald Darter	<i>Etheostoma baileyi</i>	_____
Teardrop Darter	<i>Etheostoma barbouri</i>	_____
Splendid Darter	<i>Etheostoma barrenense</i> (<i>Ulocentra</i> , sp.)	_____
Orangefin Darter	<i>Etheostoma bellum</i>	_____
Redband Darter	<i>Etheostoma luteovinctum</i>	_____
Finescale Darter	<i>Etheostoma microlepidum</i>	MC
Dirty darter	<i>Etheostoma olivaceum</i>	_____
Firebelly Darter (=Red Snubnose Darter)	<i>Etheostoma pyrrhogaster</i> [= <i>E. locentra</i>]	MC
Arrow Darter	<i>Etheostoma sagitta</i>	_____
Tuscumbia Darter	<i>Etheostoma tuscumbia</i>	MC
Tippecanoe Darter	<i>Etheostoma tippecanoe</i>	_____
Golden Top minnow	<i>Fundulus chrysotus</i>	_____
Flame Chub	<i>Hemitremia flammea</i>	MC
Plains Minnow	<i>Hybognathus placitus</i>	_____
Southern Brook Lamprey	<i>Ichthyomyzon gagei</i>	_____
Silver Lamprey	<i>Ichthyomyzo nunicuspis</i>	_____
Lined Chub	<i>Notropis lineapunctatus</i>	_____
Harelip Sucker	<i>Lagochila lacera</i>	_____
Alligator Gar	<i>Lepisosteus spatula</i>	_____
Sturgeon Chub	<i>Macrhybopsis</i> (= <i>Hybopsis</i>) <i>gelida</i>	_____
Sicklefin Chub	<i>Macrhybopsis</i> (= <i>Hybopsis</i>) <i>meeki</i>	_____
Blackfin Sucker	<i>Moxostoma atripinne</i>	_____
Bigmouth Shiner	<i>Notropis dorsalis</i>	_____

Common Name	ScientificName	FedStatus*
Roseface Shiner	<i>Notropis rubellus rubellus</i>	—
Bedrock Shiner	<i>Notropis rupestris</i>	—
Northern Madtom	<i>Noturus stigmosus</i>	MC
Tangerine Darter	<i>Percina aurantiaca</i>	—
Blotchside Logperch	<i>Percina burtoni</i>	MC
Blackfin Darter	<i>Percina (Odontophilus)sp.</i>	—
Slenderhead Darter	<i>Percina phoxocephala</i>	—
Olive Darter	<i>Percina squamata</i>	MC
Freckle belly darter	<i>Percina stictogaster</i>	—
Mountain Dace	<i>Phoxinus tennesseensis</i>	—
Southern Cavefish	<i>Typhlichthys subterraneus</i>	MC

AMPHIBIANS

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
-----	<i>Ambystoma barbouri</i>	—
Hellbender	<i>Cryptobranchus a. alleganiensis</i>	MC
Seepage Salamander	<i>Desmognathus aeneus</i>	MC
Black Mountain Dusky Salamander	<i>Desmognathus welteri</i>	—
Pygmy Salamander	<i>Desmognathus wrighti</i>	MC
Junaluska Salamander	<i>Eurycea junaluska</i>	MC
Four Toed Salamander	<i>Hemidactylium scutatum</i>	—
Barking Treefrog	<i>Hyla gratiosa</i>	—
Weller's Salamander	<i>Plethodon welleri</i>	—
Wehrle's Salamander	<i>Plethodon wehrlei</i>	—

REPTILES

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Coal Skink	<i>Eumeces anthracinus</i>	—
Alligator Snapping Turtle	<i>Macrolemys temmincki</i>	MC
Green Water Snake	<i>Nerodia (Natrix) cyclopion</i>	—
Eastern Slender Glass Lizard	<i>Ophisaurus attenuatus ongicaudus</i>	—

BIRDS

CommonName	ScientificName	Fed.Status*
Sharp-shinned Hawk	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>	—
Henslow's Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus henslowii</i>	MC
Anhinga	<i>Anhinga anhinga</i>	—
Great Egret	<i>Casmerodius albus</i>	—
Northern Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>	—
Olive-sided Flycatcher	<i>Contopuscooperii (=borealis)</i>	—
Cerulean Warbler	<i>Dendroica cereulea</i>	—

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Little Blue Heron	<i>Egretta caerulea</i>	—
Snowy Egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>	—
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	—
Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	T=>MC
Mississippi Kite	<i>Ictinia mississippiensis</i>	—
Least Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus exilis</i>	—
Loggerhead Shrike	<i>Lanius ludovicianus</i>	MC
Swainson's Warbler	<i>Limnothlypis swainsonii</i>	MC
Black-capped Chickadee	<i>Poecile atricapillus</i>	MC
Vesper Sparrow	<i>Pooecetes gramineus</i>	—
King Rail	<i>Rallus elegans</i>	—
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	<i>Sphyrapicus varius appalaciensis</i>	MC
Common Barn-Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	—
Golden-winged Warbler	<i>Vermivora chrysoptera</i>	MC

MAMMALS

Common Name	ScientificName	Fed.Status*
Star-nosed Mole	<i>Condylura cristata</i>	
Yellownose (=Rock) Vole	<i>Microtus chrotorrhinus</i>	
Woodland Jumping Mouse	<i>Napaeozapus insignis</i>	
Small-footed Bat	<i>Myotis leibii</i>	
Eastern Woodrat	<i>Neotoma floridana</i>	
Hairy-tailed Mole	<i>Parascalops breweri</i>	
Rafineque's (=Southeastern) Big-eared Bat	<i>Plecotus rafinesquii</i>	
Masked Shrew	<i>Sorex cinereus</i>	
Longtail Shrew	<i>S.dispar</i>	
Smoky Shrew	<i>S.fumeus</i>	
Southeastern Shrew	<i>S.longirostris</i>	
Water Shrew	<i>S.palustris</i>	
Southern Bog Lemming	<i>Synaptomys cooperi</i>	
Meadow Jumping Mouse	<i>Zapus hudsonius</i>	

CRUSTACEANS

—	<i>Orconectes alabamensis</i>	
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*Federal Status-MC=Of Management Concern.

SECTION II. REGULATIONS

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-8-104(b):

1) It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly destroy the habitat of "Wildlife in Need of Management", except as authorized by the Executive Director.

2) The Executive Director of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency may permit the taking, possession, transportation, exportation or shipment of species or subspecies on the list of "Wildlife in Need of Management" for scientific or educational purposes, for propagation in captivity or for other purposes to benefit, or not harmful to, the species.

3) Upon good cause shown, and where necessary to alleviate damage to property, to protect human health and safety, "Wildlife in Need of Management" may be removed, captured, or destroyed but only pursuant to a permit issued by the Executive Director, and by and under supervision of an agent of the agency; provided these species may be removed, captured, or destroyed without permit by any person in emergency situations involving immediate threat to human life; provided that such unpermitted actions are immediately reported to a wildlife officer.

SECTION III. REPEAL OF PRIOR PROCLAMATIONS

This proclamation repeals Proclamation 94-16, dated September 27, 1994.

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TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION-1660

**PROCLAMATION 00-15
ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES**

Pursuant to the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 70-8-105 and 70-8-107, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission does hereby declare the following species to be endangered or threatened subject to the regulations as herein provided.

SECTION I. ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES

MOLLUSKS

MUSSELS-ENDANGERED

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed**
Cumberland elktoe	<i>Alasmidonta atropurpurea</i>	E
Appalachian elktoe	<i>Alasmidonta raveneliana</i>	E
Birdwing pearly mussel	<i>Conradillacaelata (=Limioxrimosus)</i>	E
Fanshell Mussel	<i>Cyprogonia stegaria (=irrorata)</i>	E
Dromedary pearly mussel	<i>Dromus dromas</i>	E
Cumberlandian combshell	<i>Epioblasma brevidens</i>	E
Oyster mussel	<i>Epioblasma capsaeformis</i>	E
Yellow-blossom pearly mussel	<i>Epioblasma (=Dysnomia) florentina florentina</i>	E
Upland combshell	<i>E. metastrata</i>	E
Souther nacornshell	<i>E. othcaloogensis</i>	E

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed**
Green-blossom pearly mussel	<i>E.(=Dysnomia) torulosa Gubernaculum</i>	E
Tubercled-blossom pearly mussel	<i>E.(=Dysnomia) torulosa Torulosa</i>	E
Turgid-blossom pearly mussel	<i>E.(=Dysnomia) turgidula</i>	E
Tan riffleshell	<i>E.(=Dysnomia) walkeri</i>	E
Purpl eCat's Paw Pearly mussel	<i>E.(=Dysnomia) obliquata obliquata</i> <i>(=E.sulcatusulcata)</i>	E
Fine-rayed pigtoe	<i>Fusconaia cuneolus</i>	E
Shiny pigtoe	<i>F. cor (=edgariana)</i>	E
Cracking pearly mussel	<i>Hemistena (=Lastena) lata</i>	E
Pink mucket pearly mussel	<i>Lampsilis abrupta (=orbiculata)</i>	E
Alabama lamp pearly mussel	<i>L. virescens</i>	E
Coosa moccasin shell	<i>Medionidus parvulus</i>	E
Ring pink mussel	<i>Obovaria retusa</i>	E
Little-wing pearly mussel	<i>Pegias fabula</i>	E
White warty-back pearly mussel	<i>Plethobasus cicatricosus</i>	E
Orange-footed (=pimpleback) pearly mussel	<i>P. cooperianus</i>	E
Clubshell	<i>Pleurobema clava</i>	E
Southern clubshell	<i>P.decisum</i>	E
Southern pigtoe	<i>P.georgianum</i>	E
Cumberland pigtoe (=Cumberland pigtoe mussel)	<i>P.gibberum</i>	E
Ovate clubshell	<i>P.perovatum</i>	E
Rough pigtoe pearly mussel	<i>P.plenum</i>	E
Triangular kidney shell	<i>Ptychobranthus greeni</i>	E
Rough rabbitsfoot	<i>Quadrula cylindrica strigillata</i>	E
Cumberland monkey face pearly mussel	<i>Quadrula intermedia</i>	E
Winged mapleleaf mussel	<i>Q. fragosa</i>	E
Appalachian monkey face pearly mussel	<i>Q. sparsa</i>	E
Pale lilliput pearly mussel	<i>Toxolasma (=Carunculina) cylindrella</i>	E
Cumberland bean pearly mussel	<i>Villosa (=Micromya) trabalis</i>	E
Purple bean	<i>Villosa perpurpurea</i>	E

SNAILS–Endangered

CommonName	ScientificName	Fed**
Painted snake coiled forest snail	<i>Anguispira picta</i>	T
Anthony's riversnail	<i>Athearnia anthonyi</i>	E
Royal Snail	<i>Pyrgulopsis (=Marstonia) ogmorhaphe</i>	E

MUSSELS–Threatened

CommonName	ScientificName	Fed**
Alabama moccasin shell	<i>Medionidus acutissimus</i>	T
Fine-lined pocketbook	<i>Lampsilis altilis</i>	T

FISH

FISH-Endangered

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Lake Sturgeon	<i>Acipenser fulvescens</i>	MC
Blue Shiner	<i>Cyprinella (=Notropis) caerulea (=caeruleus)</i>	T
Tuckasegee Darter	<i>Etheostoma blenniodes gutselli</i>	—
Bluemask (=jewel) Darter	<i>E. (Doration) sp</i>	E
Duskytail Darter	<i>E. (=Catonotus sp.)</i>	E
Crown Darter	<i>E. (=Catonotus sp.) corona</i>	MC
Barrens Darter	<i>E. (=Catonotus sp.) forbesi</i>	MC
Egg-mimic Darter	<i>E. (=Catonotus) pseudovulatum</i>	MC
Boulder Darter	<i>E. (Nothonotus) wapiti</i>	E
Barrens Topminnow	<i>Fundulus julisia</i>	MC
Palezone Shiner	<i>Notropis sp. (cf. N. procne)</i>	E
Smoky Madtom	<i>Noturus baileyi</i>	E
Yellowfin Madtom	<i>Noturus flavipinnis</i>	T
Chucky madtom	<i>Noturus (Rabida) sp.</i>	MC
Pygmy Madtom	<i>Noturus stanauli</i>	E
Amber Darter	<i>Percina antesella</i>	E
Conasauga (=Reticulate) Logperch	<i>P.jenkinsi</i>	E
Pallid Sturgeon	<i>Scaphirhynchus albus</i>	E

FISH-Threatened

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Western Sand Darter	<i>Ammocrypta clara</i>	—
Blue Sucker	<i>Cycleptus elongates</i>	MC
Spotfin chub	<i>Cyprinella (=Hybopsis) monacha</i>	T
Slender Chub	<i>Erimystax (=Hybopsis) cahni</i>	T
Slackwater Darter	<i>Etheostomaboschungii</i>	T
Ashy Darter	<i>Etheostoma cinereum</i>	MC
Striated darter	<i>Etheostoma striatulum</i>	MC
Coldwater Darter	<i>Etheostoma ditrema</i>	MC
Trispot Darter	<i>Etheostoma trisella</i>	MC
Coppercheek Darter	<i>Etheostomaaquali (cf. E. maculatum)</i>	MC
Holliday (=Ellijay) Darter	<i>Etheostoma (=Ulocentra) sp.</i>	—
Silverjaw Minnow	<i>Notropis (=Ericymba) buccata</i>	—
Frecklebelly Madtom	<i>Noturus munitus</i>	MC
Snail Darter	<i>Percina tanasi</i>	T
Blackside Dace	<i>Phoxinus cumberlandensis</i>	T

AMPHIBIANS**THREATENED**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Tennessee Cave Salamander	<i>Gyrinophilus palleucus</i>	

REPTILES**THREATENED**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Bog Turtle	<i>Clemmys muhlenbergi</i>	MC
Northern Pine Snake	<i>Pituophism.melanoleucus</i>	MC
Western Pigmy Rattlesnake	<i>Sistrurusmiliariusstreckeri</i>	—

BIRDS**BIRDS–Endangered**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Bachman’s Sparrow	<i>Aimophila aestivalis</i>	MC
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	—
Least Tern	<i>Sterna antillarum</i>	E
Bewick’s Wren	<i>Thryomanes bewickii</i>	MC

BIRDS–Threatened

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Northern Saw-whet Owl	<i>Aegolius acadicus</i>	MC
Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>	—
Lark Sparrow	<i>Chondestes grammacus</i>	—
Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	—

MAMMALS**ENDANGERED**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Carolina Northern Flying Squirrel	<i>Glaucomys sabrinus coloratus</i>	E
Gray Myotis	<i>Myotis grisescens</i>	E
Indiana Myotis	<i>M.sodalis</i>	E

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CRAYFISH–Endangered

CommonName	ScientificName	Fed.Status*
Big South Fork Crayfish ——	<i>Cambarus bouchardi</i>	——
Valley Flame Crayfish ——	<i>Cambarus cymatilis</i>	MC
——	<i>Cambarus deweesae</i>	——
——	<i>Cambarus pristinus</i>	MC
——	<i>Cambarus williami</i>	——
Hatchie Burrowing Crayfish	<i>Fallicambarus hortoni</i>	——
Tennessee Cave Crayfish	<i>Orconectes incomptus</i>	MC
Nashville Crayfish	<i>Orconectes shoupi</i>	E
——	<i>Orconectes wrighti</i>	MC

CRAYFISH–Threatened

Common Name	Scientific Name	Fed.Status*
Chickamauga Crayfish	<i>Cambarus extraneus</i>	MC
Obey Crayfish	<i>Cambarus obeyensis</i>	MC

*Fed Status: E=Federally Endangered, T=Federally Threatened, MC=Federal Mgt. Concern

SECTION II. REGULATIONS

Except as provided for in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-8-106 (d) and (e), it shall be unlawful for any person to take, harass, or destroy wildlife listed as threatened or endangered or otherwise to violate terms of Section 70-8-105(c) or to destroy knowingly the habitat of such species without due consideration of alternatives for the welfare of the species listed in (1) of this proclamation, or (2) the United States list of Endangered fauna.

SECTION III. REPEAL OF PRIOR PROCLAMATIONS

This proclamation repeals Proclamation 94-17, dated September 27, 1994.

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SECTION II. REGULATIONS – State T & E

Except as provided for in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-8-106 (d) and (e), it shall be unlawful for any person to take, harass, or destroy wildlife listed as threatened or endangered or otherwise to violate terms of Section 70-8-105 (c) or to destroy knowingly the habitat of such species without due consideration of alternatives for the welfare of the species listed in (1) of this proclamation, or (2) the United States list of Endangered fauna.

SECTION II. REGULATIONS – State Need of Management

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-8-104(b):

- 1) It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly destroy the habitat of "Wildlife in Need of Management", except as authorized by the Executive Director.
- 2) The Executive Director of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency may permit the taking, possession, transportation, exportation or shipment of species or subspecies on the list of "Wildlife in Need of Management" for scientific or educational purposes, for propagation in captivity or for other purposes to benefit, or not harmful to, the species.
- 3) Upon good cause shown, and where necessary to alleviate damage to property, to protect human health and safety, "Wildlife in Need of Management" may be removed, captured, or destroyed but only pursuant to a permit issued by the Executive Director, and by and under supervision of an agent of the agency; provided these species may be removed, captured, or destroyed without permit by any person in emergency situations involving immediate threat to human life; provided that such unpermitted actions are immediately reported to a wildlife officer.

Summary

As noted in TWRA Proclamations 00-14 and 00-15: “Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-8-104(b): It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly destroy the habitat of "Wildlife in Need of Management", except as authorized by the Executive Director.” “Except as provided for in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-8-106 (d) and (e), it shall be unlawful for any person to take, harass, or destroy wildlife listed as threatened or endangered or otherwise to violate terms of Section 70-8-105 (c) or to destroy knowingly the habitat of such species without due consideration of alternatives for the welfare of the species listed in (1) of this proclamation, or (2) the United States list of Endangered fauna.”

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