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(Wyo.)- Wyoming House Keeps Ban On Silencers For Big Game



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Eds: APNewsNow. CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) - The Wyoming House has maintained its position that silencers shouldn't be allowed for hunting big game in the state.

The House on Tuesday defeated a proposal to roll back an amendment it adopted on Monday that specified silencers could be used for hunting predators and small game but not for big-game species such as elk and deer.

Rep. Mike Baker, a Rock Springs Republican, proposed rolling back the big-game prohibition and asked for a roll-call vote.

House Speaker Tom Lubnau, a Republican from Gillette, said asking for the recorded vote amounted to "commando legislative tactics."

Lubnau said such votes only served to create fodder for unethical lobbying organizations that use the results to support fundraising emails.

The bill needs one more reading in the House.