

SENATE BILL 2068

By Niceley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70,
relative to wolves.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-8-108, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(f)

(1) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b), it is not an offense for any person to disturb the habitat of, alter, take, or attempt to take a wolf, also known by the name *Canis lupus*, in this state.

(2) State funds or personnel, or other state resources, must not be used to enforce any prohibition against the disturbance of the habitat of, alteration, taking, or attempting to take a wolf.

(3) This subsection (f) does not prohibit the agency from using state funds or personnel, or other state resources, to assist landowners in acquiring federal depredation permits for wolves.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.