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SENATE/HOUSE FILE SE/HE 278
BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES BILL)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the taking of fish and game by increasing fees
2 for hunting, fishing, harvesting, and related licenses,
3 authorizing the natural resource commission to adjust future
4 license fees, providing for other properly related matters,
5 and providing effective and applicability dates.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 331.605, subsection 2, paragraph a,
2 Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. ~~The fees specified in section 483A.1~~ established by the
4 natural resource commission pursuant to section 455A.5.

5 Sec. 2. Section 331.605, subsection 3, Code 2001, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 3. A state migratory game bird fee as ~~provided in section~~
8 ~~483A.1~~ established by the natural resource commission pursuant
9 to section 455A.5.

10 Sec. 3. Section 455A.5, subsection 6, Code 2001, is
11 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

12 NEW PARAGRAPH. g. Establish, by rule, the fees for all
13 hunting, fishing, fur harvesting, and trout fishing licenses;
14 for licenses for fishers of commercial species, for commercial
15 gear tags, and for bait dealers, aquaculture units, fur
16 dealers, taxidermy, game breeders, and falconry licenses; and
17 for nongame support, wildlife habitat, fish habitat, and
18 migratory game bird programs; and for related licenses under
19 the jurisdiction of the commission for the seasons beginning
20 on or after January 1, 2003. The commission shall not
21 increase any fee provided for in this paragraph more often
22 than once during a two-year period and a fee increase shall
23 not exceed the percentage increase in the consumer price index
24 published in the federal register by the United States
25 department of labor for the fiscal period since the last
26 increase for that fee. Each fee increase shall be rounded to
27 the nearest fifty cents.

28 Sec. 4. Section 481A.38, subsection 2, Code 2001, is
29 amended to read as follows:

30 2. If the commission finds that the number of hunters
31 licensed or the type of license issued to take deer or wild
32 turkey should be limited or further regulated the commission
33 shall conduct a drawing to determine which applicants shall
34 receive a license and the type of license. Applications for
35 licenses shall be received during a period established by the

1 commission. At the end of the period a drawing shall be
 2 conducted. The commission may establish rules to issue
 3 licenses after the established application period. If an
 4 applicant receives a deer license which is more restrictive
 5 than licenses issued to others for the same period and place,
 6 the applicant shall receive a certificate with the license
 7 entitling the applicant to priority in the drawing for the
 8 less restrictive deer licenses the following year. The
 9 certificate must accompany that person's application the
 10 following year, or the applicant will not receive this
 11 priority. Persons purchasing a deer license for the gun
 12 season under this section and under section ~~483A.1~~ 455A.5 are
 13 not eligible for a gun deer hunting license under section
 14 483A.24, except as authorized by rules of the department.
 15 This subsection does not apply to the hunting of wild turkey
 16 on a hunting preserve licensed under chapter 484B.

17 Sec. 5. Section 482.4, subsections 6 and 7, Code 2001, are
 18 amended by striking the subsections.

19 Sec. 6. Section 483A.1, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2001,
 20 is amended by striking the unnumbered paragraph and inserting
 21 in lieu thereof the following:

22 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a person
 23 shall not fish, trap, hunt, pursue, catch, kill, take, use,
 24 possess, sell, or transport all or part of a wild animal,
 25 bird, game, or fish, the protection and regulation of which is
 26 desirable for the conservation of resources of this state,
 27 without first obtaining a license for that purpose and paying
 28 a fee established by rule of the commission.

29 Sec. 7. Section 483A.1, subsections 1, 2, and 3, Code
 30 2001, are amended to read as follows:

31 1. Residents:

32 a. Fishing license, annual \$ ~~10-50~~
 33 16.00

34 aa. Fishing license, seven-day \$ 12.00

35 b. Fishing license, lifetime, sixty-five

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1	years or older	\$ 50.50
2	c. Hunting license	\$ 12 50
3		<u>16.00</u>
4	d. Hunting license, lifetime, sixty-five	
5	years or older	\$ 50.50
6	e. Deer hunting license, <u>antlered or any sex deer</u>	
7	\$ 25 50
8		<u>26.00</u>
9	<u>ee. Deer hunting license, antlerless only .</u>	\$ 16.00
10	f. Wild turkey hunting license	\$ 22 50
11		<u>23.00</u>
12	g. Fur harvester license, sixteen years	
13	or older	\$ 20 50
14		<u>26.00</u>
15	h. Fur harvester license, under sixteen	
16	years of age	\$ 5 50
17		<u>6.00</u>
18	i. Fur dealer license	\$ 225 50
19		<u>250.00</u>
20	j. Aquaculture unit license	\$ 25 50
21		<u>30.00</u>
22	k. Bait dealer license	\$ 30 50
23		<u>36.00</u>
24	<u>l. Deer and turkey combination bow and</u>	
25	<u>arrow license.....</u>	<u>\$ 38.00</u>
26	2. Nonresidents:	
27	a. Fishing license, <u>annual</u>	\$ 22 50
28		<u>36.00</u>
29	<u>aa. Fishing license, seven-day</u>	\$ 27.00
30	b. Hunting license, eighteen years of	
31	age or older	\$ 60 50
32		<u>80.00</u>
33	c. Hunting license, under eighteen years	
34	of age	\$ 25 50
35		<u>30.00</u>

1	d.	Deer hunting license	\$150.50
2			<u>176.00</u>
3	e.	Wild turkey hunting license	\$ 75.50
4			<u>76.00</u>
5	f.	Fur harvester license	\$180.50
6			<u>200.00</u>
7	g.	Fur dealer license	\$500.50
8			<u>501.00</u>
9	h.	Location permit for fur dealers	\$ 55.50
10			<u>56.00</u>
11	i.	Aquaculture unit license	\$ 50.50
12			<u>56.00</u>
13	j.	Bait dealer license	\$ 60.50
14			<u>66.00</u>

15 3. Residents and Nonresidents:

16	a.	Fishing, seven-day license	\$ 8.50
17	b.	a. Trout fishing fee	\$ 10.50
18			<u>13.00</u>
19	c.	b. Game breeder license	\$ 15.50
20			<u>26.00</u>
21	d.	c. Taxidermy license	\$ 15.50
22			<u>26.00</u>
23	e.	d. Falconry license	\$ 20.50
24			<u>26.00</u>
25	f.	Nongame support fee	\$ 5.00
26	g.	e. Wildlife habitat fee	\$ 5.50
27			<u>8.00</u>
28	h.	f. Migratory game bird fee	\$ 5.50
29			<u>8.00</u>
30	i.	<u>g. Fish habitat fee</u>	<u>\$ 3.00</u>

31 Sec. 8. Sections 483A.1, subsections 1, 2, and 3, Code
32 2001, as amended by section 7 of this Act, are amended by
33 striking the subsections.

34 Sec. 9. Section 483A.1A, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code
35 2001, is amended to read as follows:

1 b. Is a full-time student at an educational institution
2 located in this state and resides in this state while
3 attending the educational institution. A student qualifies as
4 a resident pursuant to this paragraph only for the purpose of
5 purchasing any resident license specified in section ~~483A.1~~
6 455A.5 or 484A.2.

7 Sec. 10. NEW SECTION. 483A.3A FISH HABITAT FEE.

8 A resident or nonresident required to have a fishing
9 license shall not fish unless the person has paid the fish
10 habitat fee or trout fishing fee. Fish habitat fees shall be
11 administered in the same manner as fishing licenses except
12 that all revenue derived from fish habitat fees shall be
13 deposited in the state fish and game protection fund and shall
14 be used within this state for fish habitat development. This
15 section shall not apply to residents who are younger than
16 sixteen years of age or are sixty-five years of age or more,
17 or to residents or nonresidents when fishing in privately
18 owned farm ponds or lakes.

19 Sec. 11. Section 438A.8, subsection 4, Code 2001, is
20 amended to read as follows:

21 4. The commission may provide, by rule, for the issuance
22 of an additional antlerless deer license to a person who has
23 been issued an antlerless deer license. The rules shall
24 specify the number of additional antlerless deer licenses
25 which may be issued, and the season and zone in which the
26 license is valid. ~~The fee for an additional antlerless deer~~
27 ~~license shall be ten dollars for residents.~~

28 Sec. 12. EFFECTIVE AND APPLICABILITY DATES.

29 1. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 9 of this Act take effect
30 January 1, 2003.

31 2. Sections 7, 10 and 11 of this Act take effect December
32 15, 2001, and apply to licenses, permits, and fees for
33 wildlife and game activities for the years beginning on or
34 after January 1, 2002.

35 3. Sections 5 and 8 of this Act take effect January 1,

1 2003. It is the intent of the general assembly that
2 intervening amendments to the Code provisions stricken in
3 sections 5 and 8 of this Act are also to be stricken effective
4 January 1, 2003.

5 EXPLANATION

6 This bill amends sections of the Code relating to the
7 regulation of fish and game.

8 The bill also increases the fees for hunting, fishing, and
9 fur harvesting, except lifetime licenses for residents, by
10 amounts ranging from \$.50 to \$25.50. Two new fees of \$38.00
11 for a deer and turkey combination bow and arrow license and of
12 \$3.00 for fish habitat are added. Also, an antlerless only
13 deer license is added with a fee of \$16.00 and the resident
14 and nonresident seven-day fishing licenses are separated and
15 the fee is increased to \$12.00 for a resident license and to
16 \$27.00 for a nonresident license. The fee of \$10.00 for an
17 additional antlerless deer hunting license is stricken.

18 Effective January 1, 2003, the natural resource commission is
19 authorized to establish, by rule, the license and permit fees.
20 The commission shall not increase any fee more often than once
21 during a two-year period and the increase shall not exceed the
22 percentage increase in the consumer price index published in
23 the federal register since the last increase for that fee.
24 Each fee increase shall be rounded to the nearest \$.50.

25 The payment of a fish habitat fee of \$3.00 or a trout
26 fishing fee is required of resident and nonresident fishers in
27 addition to their fishing license fee. The fish habitat fee
28 is not required of residents who are less than 16 years of age
29 or are 65 years of age or older, or to residents or
30 nonresidents when fishing in privately owned farm ponds or
31 lakes. The revenue shall be credited to the state fish and
32 game protection fund and used within the state for fish
33 habitat development.

34 The bill includes a delayed effective date of January 1,
35 2003, for those provisions authorizing the natural resource

1 commission to set license and permit fees. The fee schedule
2 in Code section 483A.1 takes effect December 15, 2001, for
3 licenses, permits, and fees for wildlife and game activities
4 for the years beginning on or after January 1, 2002. The fee
5 schedules in Code sections 482.4 and 483A.1 are repealed
6 effective January 1, 2003. There are also coordinating
7 amendments to change references to the fee schedules which are
8 repealed on January 1, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

THOMAS J. VILSACK, GOVERNOR
SALLY J. PEDERSON, LT. GOVERNOR

LYLE W. ASELL, INTERIM DIRECTOR

To: General Assembly
From: Lyle Asell, Interim Director
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Date: December 21, 2000
Re: Hunting & Fishing License Fee Increase

This bill request is to increase most all license fees, establish a fish habitat fee and give the Natural Resource Commission authority to establish fees in the future.

Funds received from these license fees provide the bulk of the financial resources to operate the Division. The Division is responsible for the enforcement of all laws and regulations related to hunting, fishing, trapping, and boating; recreation safety programs for hunters, bow hunters, boaters, trappers, and snowmobilers; management of over 450 wildlife management areas; extension work and private landowners for fish and wildlife management on private land as well as wildlife depredation problems; fisheries management in all public waters; fish production at hatcheries; fish and wildlife research and surveys; education programs such as Fish Iowa, Aquatic Education and Project Wild; and development and implementation of regulations for all seasons. At the present time, the fish and game trust fund is to the point that some of these programs and or improvements will have to be curtailed until the fees are increased. The last license fee increase was effective the 1992 license year.

Income to the fish and game trust fund has remained relatively stable since that time, while the public demand for improvement to and new quality fish and game areas continues to increase.

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SENATE FILE 278
BY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
AND ENVIRONMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1027)

Passed Senate, Date (P.596) 3-8-2001 Passed House, Date _____
Vote: Ayes 28 Nays 19 Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the taking of fish and game by increasing fees
2 for hunting, fishing, harvesting, and related licenses,
3 providing for additional licenses and fees, for deer
4 management plans, and for other properly related matters, and
5 providing effective and applicability dates.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 483A.1, subsections 1, 2, and 3, Code
 2 2001, are amended to read as follows:

3 1. Residents:

4 a. Fishing license, annual \$ ~~10.50~~
 5 14.00

6 b. Fishing license, seven-day \$ 12.00

7 ~~b~~ c. Fishing license, lifetime, sixty-five
 8 years or older \$ 50.50

9 ~~c~~ d. Hunting license \$ ~~12.50~~
 10 14.00

11 ~~d~~ e. Hunting license, lifetime, sixty-five
 12 years or older \$ 50.50

13 ~~e~~ f. Deer hunting license, antlered or any
 14 sex deer \$ ~~25.50~~
 15 30.00

16 g. Deer hunting license, antlerless only .. \$ 16.00

17 ~~f~~ h. Wild turkey hunting license \$ ~~22.50~~
 18 25.00

19 ~~g~~ i. Fur harvester license, sixteen years
 20 or older \$ ~~20.50~~
 21 22.00

22 ~~h~~ j. Fur harvester license, under sixteen
 23 years of age \$ ~~5.50~~
 24 6.00

25 ~~i~~ k. Fur dealer license \$ ~~225.50~~
 26 250.00

27 ~~j~~ l. Aquaculture unit license \$ ~~25.50~~
 28 30.00

29 ~~k~~ m. Bait dealer license \$ ~~30.50~~
 30 36.00

31 n. Deer and turkey combination bow and
 32 arrow license..... \$ 38.00

33 2. Nonresidents:

34 a. Fishing license, annual \$ ~~22.50~~
 35 36.00

1	b.	Fishing license, seven-day	\$ 27.00
2	b-	c. Hunting license, eighteen years of	
3		age or older	\$ 60.50
4			<u>80.00</u>
5	e-	d. Hunting license, under eighteen years	
6		of age	\$ 25.50
7			<u>30.00</u>
8	d-	e. Deer hunting license	\$ 150.50
9			<u>225.00</u>
10	e-	f. Wild turkey hunting license	\$ 75.50
11			<u>125.00</u>
12	f-	g. Fur harvester license	\$ 180.50
13			<u>200.00</u>
14	g-	h. Fur dealer license	\$ 500.50
15			<u>501.00</u>
16	h-	i. Location permit for fur dealers	\$ 55.50
17			<u>56.00</u>
18	i-	j. Aquaculture unit license	\$ 50.50
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34			<u>8.00</u>
35	h-	f. Migratory game bird fee	\$ 5.50

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2 Sec. 2. Section 483A.7, subsection 3, Code 2001, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 3. A nonresident wild turkey hunter is required to have
5 only a nonresident wild turkey hunting license and pay the
6 wildlife habitat fee. The commission shall annually limit to
7 two three thousand licenses the number of nonresidents allowed
8 to have wild turkey hunting licenses. The number of
9 nonresident wild turkey hunting licenses shall be determined
10 as provided in section 481A.38. If a license cannot be
11 issued, the applicable fees, excluding an application fee of
12 twenty-five dollars, shall be returned to the applicant. The
13 commission shall allocate the nonresident wild turkey hunting
14 licenses issued among the zones based on the populations of
15 wild turkey. A nonresident applying for a wild turkey hunting
16 license must exhibit proof of having successfully completed a
17 hunter safety and ethics education program as provided in
18 section 483A.27 or its equivalent as determined by the
19 department before the license is issued.

20 Sec. 3. Section 483A.8, subsection 3, Code 2001, is
21 amended to read as follows:

22 3. A nonresident hunting deer is required to have a
23 nonresident deer license and must pay the wildlife habitat
24 fee. The commission shall annually limit to seven ten
25 thousand ~~five-hundred~~ licenses the number of nonresidents
26 allowed to have deer hunting licenses. ~~Of-the-first-six~~
27 ~~thousand-nonresident-deer-licenses-issued, not more than~~
28 ~~thirty-five-percent-of-the-licenses-shall-be-bow-season~~
29 ~~licenses-and, after-the-first-six-thousand-nonresident-deer~~
30 ~~licenses-have-been-issued, all additional licenses shall be~~
31 ~~issued-for-antlerless-deer-only.~~ The number of nonresident
32 deer hunting licenses shall be determined as provided in
33 section 481A.38. The commission shall allocate the
34 nonresident deer hunting licenses issued among the zones based
35 on the populations of deer. However, a nonresident applicant

1 may request one or more hunting zones, in order of preference,
2 in which the applicant wishes to hunt. If ~~the request a~~
3 license cannot be fulfilled issued, the applicable fees,
4 excluding an application fee of twenty-five dollars, shall be
5 returned to the applicant. A nonresident applying for a deer
6 hunting license must exhibit proof of having successfully
7 completed a hunter safety and ethics education program as
8 provided in section 483A.27 or its equivalent as determined by
9 the department before the license is issued.

10 Sec. 4. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
11 2001, is amended to read as follows:

12 b. Upon written application on-forms-furnished pursuant to
13 rules established by the department, the department shall
14 issue annually without fee one deer or one wild turkey
15 license, or both, to the owner of a farm unit or to a member
16 of the owner's family, but not to both, and to the tenant or
17 to a member of the tenant's family, but not to both. The deer
18 hunting license or wild turkey hunting license issued shall be
19 valid only on the farm unit for which an applicant qualifies
20 pursuant to this subsection and shall be equivalent to the
21 least restrictive license issued under section 481A.38. The
22 owner or the tenant need not reside on the farm unit to
23 qualify for a free license to hunt on that farm unit. A free
24 deer hunting license issued pursuant to this subsection shall
25 be valid during all shotgun deer seasons.

26 Sec. 5. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, paragraph c, Code
27 2001, is amended to read as follows:

28 c. In addition to the free deer hunting license received,
29 an owner of a farm unit or a member of the owner's family and
30 the tenant or a member of the tenant's family may purchase a
31 deer hunting license for any option offered to paying deer
32 hunting licensees. An owner of a farm unit or a member of the
33 owner's family and the tenant or a member of the tenant's
34 family may also purchase two additional antlerless deer hunting
35 licenses which are valid only on the farm unit for a fee of

1 ten dollars each.

2 Sec. 6. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, Code 2001, is
3 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

4 NEW PARAGRAPH. e. Upon application pursuant to rules
5 established by the department and payment of a nonresident
6 deer hunting license fee, the department shall issue a deer
7 hunting license to the nonresident owner or owners of a farm
8 unit. In addition to the application and payment of the
9 license fee, the nonresident owner or owners of a farm unit
10 shall prepare and adhere to a deer population management plan
11 approved pursuant to rules of the department. The primary
12 objective of a deer population management plan is to manage
13 deer populations to minimize damage to agricultural crops on
14 adjacent land. The deer hunting license issued shall be valid
15 only on the farm unit for which the applicant qualifies
16 pursuant to this subsection and shall be equivalent to the
17 least restrictive license issued under section 481A.38. The
18 nonresident deer hunting licenses issued pursuant to this
19 paragraph shall be in addition to the number of nonresident
20 hunting licenses authorized pursuant to section 483A.8.

21 Sec. 7. EFFECTIVE AND APPLICABILITY DATES. Sections 1, 2,
22 3, and 6 of this Act take effect December 15, 2001, and apply
23 to licenses and fees for wildlife and game activities for the
24 years beginning on or after January 1, 2002.

25 EXPLANATION

26 This bill amends sections of the Code relating to the
27 regulation of fish and game.

28 The bill also increases the fees for hunting, fishing, and
29 fur harvesting, except lifetime licenses for residents, by
30 amounts ranging from \$.50 to 74.50. Two new fees of \$38.00
31 for a deer and turkey combination bow and arrow license and of
32 \$16.00 for a resident antlerless only deer license are added.
33 Also, the resident and nonresident seven-day fishing licenses
34 are separated and the fee is increased to \$12.00 for a
35 resident license and to \$27.00 for a nonresident license.

1 The number of annual nonresident wild turkey licenses is
2 increased from 2,000 to 3,000 and the annual nonresident deer
3 hunting license is increased from 7,500 to 10,000. In
4 addition, a \$25 nonrefundable application fee is included in
5 each nonresident wild turkey or deer license fee.

6 The bill also authorizes a resident owner of a farm unit or
7 member of the owner's family and the tenant or a member of the
8 tenants family to purchase two additional antlerless only deer
9 hunting licenses which are valid only on the farm unit. These
10 licenses are in addition to the free deer hunting license.
11 For nonresident owners of a farm unit a nonresident deer
12 hunting license may be purchased if the nonresident owner
13 prepares and adheres to a deer population management plan
14 approved by the department. The primary objective of the
15 management plan is to manage deer populations to minimize
16 damage to agricultural crops on adjacent land. The
17 nonresident deer hunting licenses are not subject to the
18 overall 10,000 nonresident license limit.

19 Sections 1, 2, 3, and 6 of the bill take effect December
20 15, 2001, and apply to licenses and fees for wildlife and game
21 activities for the years beginning on or after January 1,
22 2002.

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SENATE FILE 278

S-3174

1 Amend Senate File 278 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the
3 following:

4 "Section 1. Section 481A.48, unnumbered paragraph
5 1, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:

6 ~~No~~ A person, except as otherwise provided by law,
7 shall not willfully disturb, pursue, shoot, kill, take
8 or attempt to take or have in possession any of the
9 following game birds or animals except within the open
10 season established by the commission: Gray gray or
11 fox squirrel, bobwhite quail, cottontail or jack
12 rabbit, duck, snipe, pheasant, goose, woodcock,
13 partridge, mourning dove, coot, rail, ruffed grouse,
14 wild turkey, pigeons, or deer. The seasons, bag
15 limits, possession limits and locality shall be
16 established by the department or commission under the
17 authority of sections 456A.24, 481A.38, and 481A.39."

18 2. Page 3, by inserting after line 1, the
19 following:

20 "g. Mourning dove fee \$ 10.00"

21 3. Page 4, by inserting after line 9 the
22 following:

23 "Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. 483A.8A MOURNING DOVE
24 FEE.

25 A person sixteen years of age or older shall not
26 hunt or take any mourning dove within this state
27 without first paying a mourning dove fee. The
28 director shall determine the means and method of
29 collecting the mourning dove fees."

30 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By DAVID MILLER
DICK L. DEARDEN

S-3174 FILED MARCH 8, 2001
RULED OUT OF ORDER

3/8/02
(P. 595)

SENATE FILE 278

S-3176

1 Amend Senate File 278 as follows:

2 1. Page 5, line 3, by striking the word
3 "paragraph" and inserting the following:
4 "paragraphs".

5 2. Page 5, by inserting after line 20, the
6 following:

7 "NEW PARAGRAPH. f. (1) Notwithstanding section
8 481C.2, a landowner who incurs crop or nursery damage
9 caused by deer population may apply to the department
10 for not more than ten deer depredation permits for
11 each farm unit of eighty acres where the damage has
12 occurred. The department shall specify, by rule, a
13 proportional number of permits which may be issued for
14 farm units based on the size of the farm unit, damage
15 done, and deer population. The application shall
16 specify the crops or nursery stock damaged, the
17 estimated amount of damage, and the area of the farm
18 unit where the damage occurred. Each application
19 shall also be accompanied by a fee of ten dollars for
20 each deer depredation permit requested. The permit is
21 valid only from September 1 through the succeeding
22 March 1 for taking a deer of either sex on the farm
23 unit specified on the application. If additional deer
24 depredation damage occurs after ten deer have been
25 taken on a farm unit, not more than ten additional
26 depredation permits may be issued with the approval of
27 a representative of the department for the same fee
28 for each permit. A postcard shall be issued with each
29 depredation permit. A person taking a deer with the
30 depredation permit shall complete and return the
31 postcard to the department within ten days after
32 taking the deer. An unused depredation permit and
33 postcard shall be returned to the department by March
34 10 following the expiration of the depredation permit.

35 (2) A landowner who has been issued a deer
36 depredation permit pursuant to subparagraph (1) may
37 sell or give the deer depredation permit to hunt on
38 the specified farm unit to any person who is otherwise
39 licensed, except for a deer license, to hunt in this
40 state. If a deer depredation permit is used by any
41 person other than the landowner, the name and address
42 of the user shall be legibly written on the permit and
43 on the return postcard."

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**SENATE FILE 278
FISCAL NOTE**

A fiscal note for **Senate File 278** is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

SUMMARY

Senate File 278 increases the fees for hunting and fishing licenses sold by the Department of Natural Resources. The Bill increases the number of licenses sold to nonresidents for deer and turkey hunting. The Bill creates a seven-day fishing license and allows resident farm owners to purchase two additional antlerless-deer hunting licenses to be used on their farmland. Nonresident landowners are allowed to purchase a nonresident deer license if they prepare and submit a Deer Management Plan to the Department. If this requirement is met, the nonresident license is not subject to the 10,000 nonresident deer license limit.

ASSUMPTIONS

1. The estimated fees received from increased resident licenses is \$3.0 million per year.
2. The estimated fees received from increased nonresident license sales is \$2.3 million per year.
3. The estimated fees received from increased resident and nonresident sale of trout fees, wildlife habitat, and migratory game bird licenses is \$837,000 per year.
4. The estimated fees received from the increased number of nonresident deer licenses and turkey licenses is \$236,000 per year.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated fiscal impact of House File 278 is an increase in receipts to the Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund of \$6.4 million for FY 2002 and for subsequent years.

SOURCE

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