

CHAPTER 1213
TAKING OF WILDLIFE
H.F. 2306

AN ACT permitting the conservation commission to alter or restrict the taking of wildlife.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 109.38, subsections 1 and 2, Code 1983, are amended to read as follows:

1. The commission may upon its own motion and after an investigation, alter, limit, or restrict the methods or means employed and the instruments or equipment used in taking deer, ~~raccoon~~ wild mammals, wild turkey, pheasant, quail, ~~trout or rough~~ fish, reptiles, and amphibians, if the investigation reveals that ~~such~~ the action would be desirable or beneficial in promoting the interests of conservation, or the commission may, after an investigation when it is found there is imminent danger of loss of fish through natural causes, authorize the taking of fish by ~~such~~ means as they may deem found advisable to salvage ~~such~~ imperiled fish populations.

2. If following an investigation the commission finds that the number of hunters licensed to take deer or wild turkey should be limited ~~or~~, further regulated, or expanded, the commission shall conduct a drawing to determine which applicants shall receive a license. If further deer depopulation is warranted in localized areas, the commission shall consider additional hunting days and additional any sex deer licenses shall be issued for those areas. Applications for licenses shall be received and accepted during a ~~thirty-day~~ forty-five day period established by the commission. At the end of ~~such~~ the period the drawing shall be conducted. If the quota has not been filled, licenses shall ~~then~~ be issued in the order in which ~~such~~ applications are received and shall continue to be issued until ~~such~~ the quota has been met or until a date fifteen days prior to the opening day of the season, whichever first occurs. If an applicant receives a deer license which is more restrictive than licenses issued to others for the same period and place, the applicant shall receive a certificate with ~~his or her~~ the license entitling the applicant to priority in the drawing for the less restrictive deer licenses the following year. The certificate must accompany that person's application the following year, or the applicant will not receive this priority. Persons purchasing a deer license for the gun season as ~~provided~~ under this section and under section 110.1 ~~shall~~ are not be eligible for a gun deer-hunting license under the ~~provisions~~ of section 110.24. This subsection ~~shall~~ does not apply to the hunting of wild turkey on game breeding and shooting preserves licensed under chapter 110A.

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