Comment Report

SF 208

A bill for an act relating to hunting deer by persons with bow season licenses.(Formerly SF 175.)

Subcommittee Members: Sherman-CH, Gerhold, Scholten

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Comment: I object to this bill SF 208. My main objection is that it allows bow hunters with an

unfilled tag to hunt one more season without paying for another tag while a gun hunter with an unfilled tag is not offered the same treatment. The bow hunter has already been given several months to fill their tag. A gun hunter is limited to a few days, after paying the same fee as the bow hunter. In my own case, an old shoulder injury prevents me from using a bow effectively and created problems trying to cock a crossbow. I hunt during the first gun season an was only able to get out 3 days due to illness and did not fill my tag. Tell me how it is fair to give this treatment to a bow

hunter and not extend it to a gun hunter as well. I don't think that you can.