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April 12, 2017

The Honorable Paul Pate Secretary of State of Iowa State Capitol Building LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 254, an Act relating to tagging requirements for deer carcasses and including penalties.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

Terry E. Branstad

Governor

cc: Secretary of the Senate

Clerk of the House



House File 254

## AN ACT

RELATING TO TAGGING REQUIREMENTS FOR DEER CARCASSES AND INCLUDING PENALTIES.

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

Section 1. Section 483A.8, subsection 2, Code 2017, is amended to read as follows:

- 2. <u>a.</u> The deer hunting license shall be accompanied by a tag designed to be used only once. When a deer is taken, the deer shall be tagged and the tag shall be dated. The tag shall be attached to the carcass of a deer taken within fifteen minutes of the time the deer carcass is located after being taken, or before the carcass is moved to be transported by any means from the place where the deer was taken, whichever occurs first. For each antlered deer taken, the tag shall be affixed to the deer's antlers.
- b. For purposes of the tagging requirements in this subsection, a deer carcass may be moved away from an obstacle, entanglement, waterway, or any other area, including but not limited to a roadway, if tagging the carcass at that location would be a safety hazard to the hunter or a third person, before the tag is attached to the carcass. However, the carcass shall not be moved from the immediate vicinity of where the deer was taken, shall be moved only so far as is necessary to avoid the obstacle, entanglement, waterway, or other safety

hazard, and shall be tagged immediately upon being so moved and before being moved to be transported.

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Speaker of the House

JACK WHITVER

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 254, Eighty-seventh General Assembly.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved April 12, 2017

TERRY E. BRANSTAD

Governor