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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the licensing of hunting guides and fishing  
2 guides, establishing license fees, providing reciprocity with  
3 other states, and providing a penalty.

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

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 483A.28 HUNTING AND FISHING  
2 GUIDE LICENSES -- RECIPROCITY -- PENALTY.

3 1. A person shall not engage in or be employed for any  
4 compensation or reward for hunting guide or fishing guide  
5 activities in this state unless the person has obtained a  
6 hunting guide license, a fishing guide license, or a combined  
7 hunting and fishing guide license from the department. The  
8 department shall define, by rule, the activities that  
9 constitute hunting guide or fishing guide activities for  
10 purposes of this section.

11 2. Upon application and payment of the hunting guide  
12 license fee, the fishing guide license fee, or the combined  
13 hunting and fishing guide license fee as provided in  
14 subsection 3, the department shall issue an applicable guide  
15 license to an applicant who is a resident of this state, who  
16 agrees to faithfully perform the duties and responsibilities  
17 of a licensed hunting guide, a licensed fishing guide, or  
18 both, and who agrees to observe and comply with the  
19 requirements of chapters 481A and 484A, and this chapter, and  
20 the rules of the department relating to hunting or fishing  
21 guides and the hunting of game or fishing in this state. A  
22 hunting guide or fishing guide is responsible for informing  
23 hunting or fishing clients of all applicable hunting or  
24 fishing laws and rules. A hunting guide license, fishing  
25 guide license, or combined hunting and fishing guide license  
26 shall not be issued to a person who is under eighteen years of  
27 age.

28 3. The department shall establish, by rule, the annual fee  
29 for a hunting guide license, fishing guide license and a  
30 combined hunting and fishing guide license issued pursuant to  
31 this chapter. In determining annual fees, the department  
32 shall consider the costs of issuing the licenses and  
33 administering and enforcing the provisions of this section.  
34 The department shall also establish, by rule, a minimum number  
35 of the various fishing licenses and game hunting licenses

1 which will be available for the clients of a hunting guide,  
2 fishing guide, or hunting and fishing guide.

3 4. a. Reciprocal privileges for hunting or fishing guides  
4 are contingent upon a grant of similar privileges by another  
5 state to residents of this state.

6 b. The commission may negotiate fishing and hunting guides  
7 reciprocity agreements with other states.

8 c. When another state confers upon hunting guide or  
9 fishing guide licensees of this state reciprocal rights,  
10 privileges, and immunities, a hunting guide or fishing guide  
11 license issued by that state entitles the licensee to all  
12 rights, privileges, and immunities in this state enjoyed by  
13 the holders of equivalent licenses issued by this state,  
14 subject to duties, responsibilities, and liabilities imposed  
15 on licensees in this state by the laws of this state.

16 5. Section 483A.26 shall apply to a nonresident who  
17 falsely claims residency in this state to obtain a hunting  
18 guide license, a fishing guide license, or a combined hunting  
19 and fishing guide license.

20 6. A violation of this section is a simple misdemeanor and  
21 is punishable as provided in section 483A.42.

22 EXPLANATION

23 This bill requires the licensing of persons who provide  
24 hunting guide services, fishing guide services, or both  
25 services. The department of natural resources is directed to  
26 issue hunting guide licenses, fishing guide licenses, or  
27 combined licenses upon application and payment of an annual  
28 fee determined by rule of the commission to residents of this  
29 state who agree to faithfully perform the duties and  
30 responsibilities of a licensed hunting guide or licensed  
31 fishing guide, or both, and agree to observe and comply with  
32 the requirements of the hunting or fishing laws and rules of  
33 the department. A hunting or fishing guide must be at least  
34 18 years of age to be licensed.

35 The bill provides reciprocal hunting guide or fishing guide

1 privileges with residents of other states that allow the same  
2 privileges to residents of this state.

3 Violators are guilty of a simple misdemeanor and subject to  
4 a minimum fine of \$10 for each offense.

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