

SENATE FILE 362
BY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL
RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO SSH 200)

Passed Senate, Date ^(P.866) 3-31-97 Passed House, Date 4/15/97 ^(P.1222)
Vote: Ayes 45 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 98 Nays 0
Approved May 26, 1997

A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a wildlife depredation unit within the
2 department of natural resources, allowing the discharge of
3 firearms in state parks for certain purposes, providing for
4 the issuance of additional free deer hunting licenses,
5 subjecting violators to an existing penalty, and providing an
6 effective date.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 461A.42, subsection 1, Code 1997, is
2 amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
3 thereof the following:

4 1. The use of firearms, explosives, and weapons of all
5 kinds by a person is prohibited in all state parks and
6 preserves except under the following conditions:

7 a. A firearm or other weapon authorized for hunting may be
8 used in preserves or parts of preserves designated by the
9 state advisory board on preserves at the request of the
10 commission.

11 b. A person may use a bow and arrow with an attached bow
12 fishing reel and ninety-pound minimum line attached to the
13 arrow to take rough fish as provided by rule of the
14 commission.

15 c. The commission may establish, by rule, the state parks
16 or parts of state parks where firearms may be discharged
17 during special events, festivals and education programs, or a
18 special hunt to control animal populations. The rules
19 governing special hunts to control animal populations shall be
20 applied separately to each designated state park.

21 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 481C.1 WILDLIFE DEPREDATION UNIT.

22 A wildlife depredation unit is established within the fish
23 and wildlife division of the department of natural resources.
24 The unit shall be comprised of three wildlife depredation
25 biologists. The biologists shall serve under the director of
26 the department of natural resources.

27 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 481C.2 DUTIES.

28 The director of the department of natural resources shall
29 enter into a memorandum of agreement with the United States
30 department of agriculture, animal damage control division.
31 The unit shall serve and act as the departmental liaison for
32 producers in the state who suffer crop and nursery damage due
33 to wildlife.

34 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 481C.3 FUNDING.

35 Notwithstanding section 483A.30, the revenue from

1 nonresident deer and wild turkey hunting licenses shall first
2 be used to pay the salaries, support, and maintenance of the
3 wildlife depredation unit established pursuant to section
4 481C.1. The remaining revenue from nonresident deer and wild
5 turkey hunting licenses shall be used to meet the requirements
6 of section 483A.30.

7 Sec. 5. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, Code 1997, is
8 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

9 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. If the commission establishes a deer
10 hunting season to occur in the first quarter of a calendar
11 year that is separate from a deer hunting season that
12 continues from the last quarter of the preceding calendar
13 year, each owner and each tenant of a farm unit located within
14 a zone where a deer hunting season is established, upon
15 application, shall be issued a free deer hunting license for
16 each of the two calendar quarters. Each license is valid only
17 for hunting on the farm unit of the owner and tenant.

18 Sec. 6. Section 483A.30, Code 1997, is repealed effective
19 December 31, 1999.

20 Sec. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
21 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

22 EXPLANATION

23 This bill amends Code section 461A.42 to allow the
24 discharge of firearms in state parks for special events such
25 as historic reenactments, educational programs, and special
26 hunts for deer population control.

27 The bill authorizes an additional free deer hunting license
28 for landowners and tenants if the department of natural
29 resources creates an additional deer hunting season for the
30 first quarter of a calendar year which is separate from a deer
31 hunting season which begins in the last quarter of a calendar
32 year but extends into the succeeding first quarter.
33 Currently, only one free deer license per calendar year is
34 allowed for an owner and a tenant.

35 The bill also establishes a wildlife depredation unit

1 within the fish and wildlife division of the department of
2 natural resources. The unit is comprised of three wildlife
3 depredation biologists. The director of the department of
4 natural resources shall enter into an agreement with the
5 United States department of agriculture, animal damage control
6 division, to have the wildlife depredation unit serve as the
7 departmental liaison for producers in this state who suffer
8 crop and nursery damage due to wildlife. The wildlife
9 depredation unit will be funded from the first license revenue
10 received from the sale of nonresident deer and wild turkey
11 hunting license fees. The remaining revenue from the
12 nonresident deer and wild turkey hunting license will be used
13 to meet the requirements of Code section 483A.30 which funds
14 the employment of new conservation officers. Code section
15 483A.30 is repealed effective December 31, 1999.

16 A violator is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

17 This bill takes effect upon enactment.

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**SENATE FILE 362
FISCAL NOTE**

A fiscal note for Senate File 362 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.

Senate File 362 provides for the creation of a wildlife depredation unit within the Department of Natural Resources. The wildlife depredation unit is funded from the revenues received from the sale of nonresident deer and wild turkey hunting licenses. The unit is to serve as the Department of Natural Resources's liaison for producers in Iowa who suffer crop and nursery damage due to wildlife. The Bill also provides an additional free deer hunting license for landowners and tenants if there is an additional deer season in the first quarter of the calendar year. The Bill allows the discharge of firearms in State parks for special events and special hunts for deer population control, also.

ASSUMPTIONS

1. Three wildlife biologists will be hired for a wildlife depredation unit.
2. The biologists positions will be funded from nonresident deer and wild turkey hunting license fees.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated fiscal impact of Senate File 362 is \$258,700 annually to the Fish and Game Protection Fund. Of that amount, \$147,000 is for salaries for the three wildlife biologists and \$111,700 is for support costs, including vehicles.

SOURCE

Department of Natural Resources

(LSB 2331SV, AMF)

FILED MARCH 25, 1997

BY DENNIS PROUTY, FISCAL DIRECTOR

SENATE FILE 362

S-3161

1 Amend Senate File 362 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 21, by striking the word
3 "WILDLIFE" and inserting the following: "WILD
4 ANIMAL".

5 2. Page 1, line 22, by striking the word
6 "wildlife" and inserting the following: "wild
7 animal".

A 8 3. Page 1, line 24, by striking the word
9 "wildlife" and inserting the following: "wild
10 animal".

B 11 4. Page 1, line 26, by inserting after the word
12 "resources." the following: "The department shall
13 issue deprecation permits as necessary to reduce crop
14 and nursery damage due to wild animals. The criteria
15 for obtaining deprecation permits shall be established
16 in rules adopted pursuant to chapter 17A."

17 5. Page 1, line 33, by striking the word
18 "wildlife" and inserting the following: "wild
19 animals".

A 20 6. Page 2, line 3, by striking the word
21 "wildlife" and inserting the following: "wild
22 animal".

23 7. Title, line 1, by striking the word "wildlife"
24 and inserting the following: "wild animal".

A. adopted 3/31/97 (P. 860) By MARY LUNDBY
B. Lost *Return to R/C Division A adopted*
S-3161 FILED MARCH 18, 1997 *Div. A - adopted 3.31.97 (P. 865)*

SENATE FILE 362

S-3123

1 Amend Senate File 362 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, line 31, by striking the word
3 "departmental".

4 2. Page 1, line 33, by inserting after the word
5 "wildlife" the following: "to the department. The
6 criteria for issuing deprecation permits shall be
7 established in administrative rules in consultation
8 with the farmer advisory committee created in section
9 481A.10A".

By MERLIN E. BARTZ

S-3123 FILED MARCH 12, 1997

adopted 3.31.97 (P. 866)

SENATE FILE 362

S-3246

1 Amend the amendment, S-3238, to Senate File 362 as
2 follows:

3 1. Page 1, by striking lines 8 through 15.

4 2. Page 1, line 16, by striking the word "b." and
5 inserting the following: "1."

6 3. Page 1, line 31, by striking the words
7 "twenty-five" and inserting the following: "two
8 hundred fifty".

By PATTY JUDGE

S-3246 FILED MARCH 26, 1997

order
3/31/97 (P. 865)

SENATE FILE 362

S-3237

1 Amend Senate File 362 as follows:

2 1. By striking page 1, line 21, through page 2,
3 line 6.

4 2. Page 2, by striking lines 18 and 19.

5 3. Title page, by striking lines 1 and 2 and
6 inserting the following: "An Act allowing the
7 discharge of"

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3-31-97 (p. 865)

By PATTY JUDGE

S-3237 FILED MARCH 26, 1997

SENATE FILE 362

S-3238

1 Amend Senate File 362 as follows:

2 1. By striking page 1, line 21, through page 2,
3 line 6.

4 2. Page 2, by striking lines 18 and 19 and
5 inserting the following:

6 "Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. 483A.28 DEPREDATION
7 PERMITS -- NONRESIDENT DEER HUNTING PASSPORTS.

8 1. a. In administering a deer depredation permit
9 program, the department shall accept the
10 recommendations of the United States department of
11 agriculture, animal damage control. In determining
12 the value of crop damage caused by deer, the
13 department shall include the damage to all types of
14 agricultural and horticultural crops caused by the
15 deer population.

16 b. A deer damage control fund is created in the
17 state treasury under the control of the department.
18 The moneys credited to the deer damage control fund
19 shall be used by the department to fund the deer
20 depredation permit program.

21 2. In addition to the requirements of section
22 483A.8, a nonresident who hunts deer in this state
23 shall have a nonresident deer passport. Upon
24 application and payment of a fee of ten dollars, the
25 department shall issue a nonresident deer passport to
26 the applicant. The fees collected by the department
27 shall be credited to the deer damage control fund.

28 Sec. ____ . APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated
29 from the general fund of the state to the deer damage
30 control fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
31 1997, and ending June 30, 1998, the sum of twenty-five
32 thousand dollars, or so much thereof as is necessary,
33 to be used for the purposes authorized for the deer
34 damage control fund."

35 3. Title page, line 1, by striking the word
36 "wildlife" and inserting the following: "deer".

By PATTY JUDGE

S-3238 FILED MARCH 26, 1997

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(p. 865)

SENATE FILE 362

S-3297

1 Amend Senate File 362 as follows:

2 1. By striking page 1, line 21, through page 2,
3 line 6.

4 2. Page 2, by striking lines 18 and 19 and
5 inserting the following:

6 "Sec. ____ . NEW SECTION. 483A.28 DEPREDATION
7 PERMITS -- NONRESIDENT DEER HUNTING PASSPORTS.

8 1. In administering a deer depredation permit
9 program, the department shall accept the
10 recommendations of the United States department of
11 agriculture, animal damage control. In determining
12 the value of crop damage caused by deer, the
13 department shall include the damage to all types of
14 agricultural and horticultural crops caused by the
15 deer population.

16 2. A deer damage control fund is created in the
17 state treasury under the control of the department.
18 The moneys credited to the deer damage control fund
19 shall be used by the department to fund the deer
20 depredation permit program.

21 Sec. ____ . APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated
22 from the general fund of the state to the deer damage
23 control fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
24 1997, and ending June 30, 1998, the sum of two hundred
25 fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as is
26 necessary, to be used for the purposes authorized for
27 the deer damage control fund."

28 3. Title page, line 1, by striking the word
29 "wildlife" and inserting the following: "deer".

By PATTY JUDGE

S-3297 FILED MARCH 31, 1997
LOST 3-31-97 (P 865)

SENATE FILE 362

S-3285

1 Amend the amendment, S-3123, to Senate File 362 as
2 follows:

3 1. Page 1, line 9, by inserting after the figure
4 "481A.10A" the following: "and conservation
5 organizations".

By DENNIS H. BLACK

S-3285 FILED MARCH 31, 1997
LOST 3-31-97

(P 866)

1 Section 1. Section 461A.42, subsection 1, Code 1997, is
2 amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
3 thereof the following:

4 1. The use of firearms, explosives, and weapons of all
5 kinds by a person is prohibited in all state parks and
6 preserves except under the following conditions:

7 a. A firearm or other weapon authorized for hunting may be
8 used in preserves or parts of preserves designated by the
9 state advisory board on preserves at the request of the
10 commission.

11 b. A person may use a bow and arrow with an attached bow
12 fishing reel and ninety-pound minimum line attached to the
13 arrow to take rough fish as provided by rule of the
14 commission.

15 c. The commission may establish, by rule, the state parks
16 or parts of state parks where firearms may be discharged
17 during special events, festivals and education programs, or a
18 special hunt to control animal populations. The rules
19 governing special hunts to control animal populations shall be
20 applied separately to each designated state park.

21 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 481C.1 WILD ANIMAL DEPREDATION
22 UNIT.

23 A wild animal depredation unit is established within the
24 fish and wildlife division of the department of natural
25 resources. The unit shall be comprised of three wild animal
26 depredation biologists. The biologists shall serve under the
27 director of the department of natural resources.

28 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 481C.2 DUTIES.

29 The director of the department of natural resources shall
30 enter into a memorandum of agreement with the United States
31 department of agriculture, animal damage control division.

32 The unit shall serve and act as the liaison for producers in
33 the state who suffer crop and nursery damage due to wild
34 animals to the department. The criteria for issuing
35 depredation permits shall be established in administrative

1 rules in consultation with the farmer advisory committee
2 created in section 481A.10A.

3 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 481C.3 FUNDING.

4 Notwithstanding section 483A.30, the revenue from
5 nonresident deer and wild turkey hunting licenses shall first
6 be used to pay the salaries, support, and maintenance of the
7 wild animal depredation unit established pursuant to section
8 481C.1. The remaining revenue from nonresident deer and wild
9 turkey hunting licenses shall be used to meet the requirements
10 of section 483A.30.

11 Sec. 5. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, Code 1997, is
12 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

13 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. If the commission establishes a deer
14 hunting season to occur in the first quarter of a calendar
15 year that is separate from a deer hunting season that
16 continues from the last quarter of the preceding calendar
17 year, each owner and each tenant of a farm unit located within
18 a zone where a deer hunting season is established, upon
19 application, shall be issued a free deer hunting license for
20 each of the two calendar quarters. Each license is valid only
21 for hunting on the farm unit of the owner and tenant.

22 Sec. 6. Section 483A.30, Code 1997, is repealed effective
23 December 31, 1999.

24 Sec. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
25 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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HOUSE AMENDMENT TO
SENATE FILE 362

S-3518

1 Amend Senate File 362, as amended, passed, and
2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:

3 1. Page 1, line 25, by striking the word "three"
4 and inserting the following: "two".

5 2. Page 1, by striking lines 32 through 34 and
6 inserting the following: "The unit shall serve and
7 act as the liaison to the department for the producers
8 in the state who suffer crop and nursery damage due to
9 wild animals. The department shall issue depredation
10 permits as necessary to reduce crop and nursery damage
11 due to wild animals. The criteria for issuing".

12 3. Page 2, by inserting after line 10 the
13 following:

14 "Sec. ____ . REPORT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 1998. The
15 department of natural resources shall report, during
16 January 1998, to the chairpersons and ranking members
17 of the house committee on natural resources and the
18 senate committee on natural resources and environment
19 the number of applications received for depredation
20 permits and the number of depredation permits issued
21 during the preceding calendar year pursuant to section
22 481C.2."

23 4. By renumbering as necessary.

RECEIVED FROM THE HOUSE

S-3518 FILED APRIL 15, 1997

Senate concurred 4/23/97 (p. 1400)

Bartz, chair
D. Black
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Natural Resource
Succeeded By
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SENATE FILE
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
NATURAL RESOURCES AND
ENVIRONMENT BILL BY CHAIR-
PERSON BARTZ)

Passed Senate, Date _____ Passed House, Date _____
Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____ Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the management and hunting of deer by
2 providing for the issuance of nonresident deer hunting
3 passports and establishing the deer damage control fund,
4 relating to the discharge of firearms in state parks, making
5 an appropriation, subjecting violators to an existing penalty,
6 and providing an effective date.

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

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3 thereof the following:

4 1. The use of firearms, explosives, and weapons of all
5 kinds by a person is prohibited in all state parks and
6 preserves except under the following conditions:

7 a. A firearm or other weapon authorized for hunting may be
8 used in preserves or parts of preserves designated by the
9 state advisory board on preserves at the request of the
10 commission.

11 b. A person may use a bow and arrow with an attached bow
12 fishing reel and ninety-pound minimum line attached to the
13 arrow to take rough fish as provided by rule of the
14 commission.

15 c. The commission may establish, by rule, the state parks
16 or parts of state parks where firearms may be discharged
17 during special events, festivals and education programs, or a
18 special hunt to control animal populations. The rules
19 governing special hunts to control animal populations shall be
20 applied separately to each designated state park.

21 Sec. 2. Section 483A.8, subsection 3, Code 1997, is
22 amended to read as follows:

23 3. A nonresident deer hunter is required to have ~~only~~ a
24 nonresident deer license and a wildlife habitat stamp. The
25 commission shall annually limit to five thousand licenses the
26 number of nonresidents allowed to have deer hunting licenses.
27 The number of nonresident deer hunting licenses shall be
28 determined as provided in section 481A.38. The commission
29 shall allocate the nonresident deer hunting licenses issued
30 among the zones based on the populations of deer. However, a
31 nonresident applicant may request one or more hunting zones,
32 in order of preference, in which the applicant wishes to hunt.
33 If the request cannot be fulfilled, the applicable fees shall
34 be returned to the applicant. A nonresident applying for a
35 deer hunting license must exhibit proof of having successfully

1 completed a hunter safety and ethics education program as
2 provided in section 483A.27 or its equivalent as determined by
3 the department before the license is issued.

4 Sec. 3. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, Code 1997, is
5 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

6 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. If the commission establishes a deer
7 hunting season to occur in the first quarter of a calendar
8 year that is separate from a deer hunting season that
9 continues from the last quarter of the preceding calendar
10 year, each owner and each tenant of a farm unit located within
11 a zone where a deer hunting season is established, upon
12 application, shall be issued a free deer hunting license for
13 each of the two calendar quarters. Each license is valid only
14 for hunting on the farm unit of the owner and tenant.

15 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 483A.28 DEPREDATION PERMITS --
16 NONRESIDENT DEER HUNTING PASSPORTS.

17 1. a. In administering a deer depredation permit program,
18 the department shall accept the recommendations of the United
19 States department of agriculture, animal damage control. In
20 determining the value of crop damage caused by deer, the
21 department shall include the damage to all types of
22 agricultural and horticultural crops caused by the deer
23 population.

24 b. A deer damage control fund is created in the state
25 treasury under the control of the department. The moneys
26 credited to the deer damage control fund shall be used by the
27 department to fund the deer depredation permit program.

28 2. In addition to the requirements of section 483A.8, a
29 nonresident who hunts deer in this state shall have a
30 nonresident deer passport. Upon application and payment of a
31 fee of ten dollars, the department shall issue a nonresident
32 deer passport to the applicant. The fees collected by the
33 department shall be credited to the deer damage control fund.

34 Sec. 5. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated from the
35 general fund of the state to the deer damage control fund for

1 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30,
2 1998, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, or so much
3 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
4 authorized for the deer damage control fund.

5 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
6 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

7 EXPLANATION

8 This bill amends Code section 461A.42 to allow the
9 discharge of firearms in state parks for special events such
10 as historic reenactments, educational programs, and special
11 hunts for deer population control.

12 The bill authorizes an additional free deer hunting license
13 for landowners and tenants if the department of natural
14 resources creates an additional deer hunting season for the
15 first quarter of a calendar year which is separate from a deer
16 hunting season which begins in the last quarter of a calendar
17 year but extends into the succeeding first quarter.
18 Currently, only one free deer license per calendar year is
19 allowed for an owner and a tenant.

20 The bill also creates a deer damage control fund which will
21 receive moneys from a nonresident deer hunting passport and an
22 appropriation of \$25,000 from the general fund of the state.
23 The fee for the nonresident deer hunting passport is \$10. The
24 moneys are to be used to administer the deer depredation
25 permit program by the department of natural resources. In
26 administering the deer depredation program, the department of
27 natural resources is to use the recommendations of the United
28 States department of agriculture, animal damage control, and
29 include the value of all types of agricultural and
30 horticulture crops which are damaged by deer population when
31 determining crop damage for the deer depredation permit
32 program.

33 A violator is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

34 This bill takes effect upon enactment.

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SENATE FILE 362

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A WILD ANIMAL DEPREDAATION UNIT WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ALLOWING THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS IN STATE PARKS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL FREE DEER HUNTING LICENSES, SUBJECTING VIOLATORS TO AN EXISTING PENALTY, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1. Section 461A.42, subsection 1, Code 1997, is amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

1. The use of firearms, explosives, and weapons of all kinds by a person is prohibited in all state parks and preserves except under the following conditions:

a. A firearm or other weapon authorized for hunting may be used in preserves or parts of preserves designated by the state advisory board on preserves at the request of the commission.

b. A person may use a bow and arrow with an attached bow fishing reel and ninety-pound minimum line attached to the arrow to take rough fish as provided by rule of the commission.

c. The commission may establish, by rule, the state parks or parts of state parks where firearms may be discharged during special events, festivals and education programs, or a special hunt to control animal populations. The rules governing special hunts to control animal populations shall be applied separately to each designated state park.

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A wild animal depredation unit is established within the fish and wildlife division of the department of natural

resources. The unit shall be comprised of two wild animal depredation biologists. The biologists shall serve under the director of the department of natural resources.

Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 481C.2 DUTIES.

The director of the department of natural resources shall enter into a memorandum of agreement with the United States department of agriculture, animal damage control division. The unit shall serve and act as the liaison to the department for the producers in the state who suffer crop and nursery damage due to wild animals. The department shall issue depredation permits as necessary to reduce crop and nursery damage due to wild animals. The criteria for issuing depredation permits shall be established in administrative rules in consultation with the farmer advisory committee created in section 481A.10A.

Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 481C.3 FUNDING.

Notwithstanding section 483A.30, the revenue from nonresident deer and wild turkey hunting licenses shall first be used to pay the salaries, support, and maintenance of the wild animal depredation unit established pursuant to section 481C.1. The remaining revenue from nonresident deer and wild turkey hunting licenses shall be used to meet the requirements of section 483A.30.

Sec. 5. REPORT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 1998. The department of natural resources shall report, during January 1998, to the chairpersons and ranking members of the house committee on natural resources and the senate committee on natural resources and environment the number of applications received for depredation permits and the number of depredation permits issued during the preceding calendar year pursuant to section 481C.2.

Sec. 6. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, Code 1997, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. d. If the commission establishes a deer hunting season to occur in the first quarter of a calendar year that is separate from a deer hunting season that