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NATURAL RESOURCES

HOUSE FILE 162
BY DOTZLER

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the time of possession of deer venison and
2 subjecting violators to an existing penalty.

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

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HF 162

1 Section 1. Section 481A.57, Code 1999, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 481A.57 POSSESSION AND STORAGE.

4 A person having lawful possession of game or fur-bearing
5 animals or their pelts, except deer venison, may hold them for
6 not to exceed thirty days after the close of the open season
7 for such game or furbearers. A person having lawful
8 possession of deer venison which is taken with a valid deer
9 hunting license, may hold the deer venison from the date of
10 taking until the following September 1. From September 1
11 until the first day of the next deer open season for which the
12 person holds a valid deer hunting license, the person shall
13 not possess more than twenty-five pounds of deer venison. A
14 person having lawful possession of deer venison by means other
15 than personal taking of a deer shall not possess more than
16 twenty-five pounds of deer venison at any time. A permit to
17 hold for a longer period may be granted by the department.

18 EXPLANATION

19 This bill extends the 30-day limit during which a person
20 having lawful possession of deer venison may hold the deer
21 venison without a special permit. This bill authorizes the
22 person having lawful possession of deer venison to hold the
23 deer venison from the date of taking until the following
24 September 1. From September 1 until the first day of the next
25 deer open season for which the person holds a valid deer
26 hunting license, the person shall not possess more than 25
27 pounds of deer venison.

28 The bill also provides that a person having lawful
29 possession of deer venison by means other than personal taking
30 of a deer shall not possess more than 25 pounds of deer
31 venison at any time.

32 A person having unlawful possession of deer venison is
33 guilty of a simple misdemeanor which is punishable by a fine
34 of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 pursuant to Code
35 section 481A.32.