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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the licensing of hunting guides and providing  
2 a penalty.

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

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

3 1. A person shall not engage in or be employed for any  
4 compensation or reward for hunting guide activities in this  
5 state unless the person has obtained a hunting guide license  
6 from the department. The department shall define, by rule,  
7 the activities that constitute hunting guide activities for  
8 purposes of this section. The rules shall require an  
9 applicant to identify the location and number of acres to be  
10 hunted and to submit a management plan which is subject to  
11 approval by the department.

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

24 3. The department shall establish, by rule, the annual fee  
25 for a hunting guide license issued pursuant to this chapter.  
26 In determining an annual fee, the department shall consider  
27 the costs of issuing the license and administering and  
28 enforcing the provisions of this section.

29 4. A violation of this section is a simple misdemeanor and  
30 is punishable as provided in section 483A.42.

31 EXPLANATION

32 This bill requires the licensing of persons who provide  
33 hunting guide services. The department of natural resources  
34 is directed to issue hunting guide licenses upon application  
35 and payment of an annual fee determined by rule of the

1 commission to persons who agree to faithfully perform the  
2 duties and responsibilities of a licensed hunting guide and  
3 agree to observe and comply with the requirements of the  
4 hunting laws and rules of the department. An applicant shall  
5 identify the location and number of acres of the land to be  
6 hunted and submit a game management plan which is subject to  
7 approval by the department. A hunting guide must be at least  
8 18 years of age to be licensed.

9 Violators are guilty of a simple misdemeanor and subject to  
10 a minimum fine of \$10 for each offense. The maximum fine for  
11 a simple misdemeanor is \$500 and the court may order not more  
12 than 30 days' imprisonment in lieu of or in addition to a  
13 fine.

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