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NATURAL RESOURCES

HOUSE FILE 2071
BY LALK

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring the natural resource commission to increase the
2 number of nonresident deer hunting licenses available.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 Section 1. Section 483A.8, subsection 3, Code Supplement
2 2003, is amended to read as follows:

3 3. A nonresident hunting deer is required to have a
4 nonresident hunting license and a nonresident deer license and
5 must pay the wildlife habitat fee. The commission shall
6 annually limit to ~~eight~~ eleven thousand ~~five-hundred~~ licenses
7 the number of nonresidents allowed to have deer hunting
8 licenses. Of the first six thousand nonresident deer licenses
9 issued, not more than thirty-five percent of the licenses
10 shall be bow season licenses and, after the first six thousand
11 nonresident deer licenses have been issued, all additional
12 licenses shall be issued for antlerless deer only. The
13 commission shall allocate the nonresident deer hunting
14 licenses issued among the zones based on the populations of
15 deer. However, a nonresident applicant may request one or
16 more hunting zones, in order of preference, in which the
17 applicant wishes to hunt. If the request cannot be fulfilled,
18 the applicable fees shall be returned to the applicant. A
19 nonresident applying for a deer hunting license must exhibit
20 proof of having successfully completed a hunter safety and
21 ethics education program as provided in section 483A.27 or its
22 equivalent as determined by the department before the license
23 is issued.

24 EXPLANATION

25 This bill amends Code section 483A.8 to require the natural
26 resource commission to limit the number of nonresident deer
27 hunting licenses available to 11,000 instead of 8,500. As a
28 result of this change, after the first 6,000 nonresident any
29 sex deer hunting licenses have been issued, there will be
30 5,000 antlerless only deer hunting licenses available for
31 issuance instead of 2,500.

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