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NATURAL RESOURCES

HOUSE FILE 2130
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act permitting certain individuals to use a crossbow to hunt
2 deer and subjecting violators to a scheduled fine.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 481A.38, subsection 1, unnumbered
2 paragraph 2, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. The commission shall adopt a rule permitting a crossbow
4 to be used ~~only~~ by individuals with disabilities who are
5 physically incapable of using a bow and arrow under the
6 conditions in which a bow and arrow is permitted. The
7 commission shall prepare an application to be used by an
8 individual requesting the status. The application shall
9 require the individual's physician to sign a statement
10 declaring that the individual is not physically able to use a
11 bow and arrow.

12 b. The commission shall adopt a rule permitting a crossbow
13 to be used for taking deer, under the conditions in which a
14 bow and arrow is permitted, by any deer hunting licensee who
15 is sixty-five years of age or older. The commission shall
16 prepare an application to be used by an individual requesting
17 permission to use a crossbow to hunt deer during bow hunting
18 season. The application shall require the applicant to
19 produce proof of the applicant's age.

20 EXPLANATION

21 This bill directs the natural resource commission to adopt
22 a rule permitting a deer hunting licensee who is 65 years of
23 age or older to use a crossbow under the conditions under
24 which a bow and arrow is permitted to be used. The bill also
25 provides that the commission shall prepare an application to
26 be used by persons requesting permission to use a crossbow to
27 hunt deer and require the applicant to produce proof of the
28 applicant's age.

29 A violation of the provisions of the bill is punishable by
30 a scheduled fine of \$100 or \$50 under Code section 805.8B,
31 subsection 3, paragraph "f" or "g".

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