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NATURAL RESOURCES

HOUSE FILE 328
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing that landowners may hunt, fish, and trap on
2 their own land without paying a fee.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, paragraph a,
2 subparagraph (1), Code 2003, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) "Family member" means a ~~resident-of-Iowa~~ person who is
4 the spouse or child of the owner, or is the spouse or child of
5 a tenant and who resides with the owner or tenant.

6 Sec. 2. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, paragraph a,
7 subparagraph (3), unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2003, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "Owner" means an owner of a farm unit ~~who-is-a-resident-of~~
10 ~~Iowa-and~~ who is one of the following:

11 Sec. 3. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, paragraph a,
12 subparagraph (3), unnumbered paragraph 2, Code 2003, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 ~~An-"owner"-does-not-mean-a-person-who-owns-a-farm-unit-and~~
15 ~~who-employs-a-farm-manager-or-third-party-to-operate-the-farm~~
16 ~~unit,-or-a-person-who-owns-a-farm-unit-and-who-rents-the~~
17 ~~entire-farm-unit-to-a-tenant-who-is-responsible-for-all-farm~~
18 ~~operations.--However,-this-paragraph-does-not-apply-to-an~~
19 ~~owner-who-is-a-parent-of-the-tenant-and-who-resides-in-this~~
20 ~~state-~~

21 EXPLANATION

22 This bill provides that owners of farm units or their
23 tenants, and their juvenile children may hunt, fish, and trap
24 upon such lands without securing a license to do so, except
25 that a special license to hunt deer and wild turkey is
26 required and can be issued annually without charge, upon
27 application, to the owner of the farm unit or to a member of
28 the owner's family, but not to both, and to the tenant or to a
29 member of the tenant's family, but not to both.

30 The bill changes the definitions of "owner" and "family
31 member" in Code section 483A.24 to provide that an owner of a
32 farm unit or a family member of an owner of a farm unit does
33 not have to be a resident of Iowa. The bill does not change
34 the requirement that a tenant of a farm unit or a member of a
35 tenant's family has to be a resident of Iowa to qualify under

1 the provisions of Code section 483A.24.

2 The bill also removes the provision that a person is not
3 considered to be an owner for purposes of Code section 483A.24
4 if the person owns a farm unit and employs a farm manager or
5 third party to operate the farm unit or rents the entire farm
6 unit to a tenant who is responsible for all farm operations.

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