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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to hunting by allocating nonresident turkey and
2 deer hunting licenses.

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

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NAT. RES. & ENVIRONMENT

1 Section 1. Section 483A.7, subsection 3, Code 2003, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. A nonresident wild turkey hunter is required to have a
4 nonresident hunting license and a nonresident wild turkey
5 hunting license and pay the wildlife habitat fee. The
6 commission shall annually limit to ~~two~~ three thousand ~~three~~
7 five hundred licenses the number of nonresidents allowed to
8 have wild turkey hunting licenses. Of the ~~two~~ three thousand
9 ~~three~~ five hundred licenses, one hundred fifty licenses shall
10 be valid for hunting with muzzle loading shotguns only. The
11 commission shall allocate the nonresident wild turkey hunting
12 licenses issued among the zones based on the populations of
13 wild turkey. A nonresident applying for a wild turkey hunting
14 license must exhibit proof of having successfully completed a
15 hunter safety and ethics education program as provided in
16 section 483A.27 or its equivalent as determined by the
17 department before the license is issued.

18 Sec. 2. Section 483A.8, subsections 3 and 5, Code 2003,
19 are amended to read as follows:

20 3. A nonresident hunting deer is required to have a
21 nonresident hunting license and a nonresident deer license and
22 must pay the wildlife habitat fee. The commission shall
23 annually limit to ~~eight~~ twelve thousand ~~five-hundred~~ licenses
24 the number of nonresidents allowed to have any sex deer
25 hunting licenses. ~~Of-the-first-six-thousand-nonresident-deer~~
26 ~~licenses-issued,not-more-than-thirty-five-percent-of-the~~
27 ~~licenses-shall-be-bow-season-licenses-and,after-the-first-six~~
28 ~~thousand-nonresident-deer-licenses-have-been-issued,all~~
29 ~~additional-licenses-shall-be-issued-for-antlerless-deer-only.~~
30 An additional two thousand five hundred nonresident antlerless
31 only deer licenses shall be made available for issuance. The
32 commission shall allocate the nonresident deer hunting
33 licenses issued among the zones based on the populations of
34 deer. ~~However, a nonresident applicant may request one or~~
35 ~~more hunting zones, in order of preference, in which the~~

1 applicant-wishes-to-hunt.--If-the-request-cannot-be-fulfilled,
2 the-applicable-fees-shall-be-retuned-to-the-applicant. A
3 nonresident applying for a deer hunting license must exhibit
4 proof of having successfully completed a hunter safety and
5 ethics education program as provided in section 483A.27 or its
6 equivalent as determined by the department before the license
7 is issued.

8 5. A-nonresident-owning-land-in-this-state-may-apply-for
9 one-of-the-first-six-thousand-nonresident-deer-licenses-not
10 limited-to-antlerless-deer, and-the-provisions-of-subsection-3
11 shall-apply.--However, if If a nonresident owning land in this
12 state is unsuccessful in obtaining one of the first-six
13 thousand nonresident any sex deer licenses provided for in
14 subsection 3, the landowner shall be given preference for one
15 of the two-thousand-five-hundred nonresident antlerless only
16 nonresident deer licenses provided for in subsection 3. A
17 nonresident owning land in this state shall pay the fee for a
18 nonresident antlerless only deer license and the license shall
19 be valid to hunt on the nonresident's land only. A
20 nonresident owning land in this state is eligible for only one
21 nonresident deer license annually. If one or more parcels of
22 land have multiple nonresident owners, only one of the
23 nonresident owners is eligible for a nonresident antlerless
24 only deer license. If a nonresident jointly owns land in this
25 state with a resident, the nonresident shall not be given
26 preference for a nonresident antlerless only deer license.
27 The department may require proof of land ownership from a
28 nonresident landowner applying for a nonresident antlerless
29 only deer license.

30 EXPLANATION

31 This bill increases the annual limit on nonresident turkey
32 hunting licenses from 2,300 to 3,500.

33 The bill increases the number of nonresident deer hunting
34 licenses available from 8,500 to 14,500, and provides that
35 there will be 12,000 annual nonresident any sex deer hunting

1 licenses available, and 2,500 annual nonresident antlerless
2 only deer licenses available. The statutory requirement that
3 only 35 percent of the nonresident deer hunting licenses shall
4 be sold to bow and arrow hunters is stricken.

5 The bill provides that a nonresident owning land in this
6 state who is unsuccessful in the nonresident any sex deer
7 hunting license drawing has preference to receive a
8 nonresident antlerless only deer hunting license.

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