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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the issuance of free hunting licenses for
2 antlerless deer, providing for the disposition of harvested
3 deer meat to public institutions, and providing a penalty and
4 for a repeal.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 483A.24, Code 2003, is amended by
2 adding the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 15. a. As used in this subsection:

4 (1) "Administrator" means a county sheriff,
5 superintendent, warden, or other chief executive officer of a
6 public institution in this state.

7 (2) "Establishment" means an establishment as defined in
8 section 189A.2 where wild deer may be processed or dressed for
9 human consumption.

10 (3) "Public institution" means a county jail in this
11 state, a state institution listed under section 218.1,
12 subsections 1 through 8, or a state institution listed under
13 section 904.102, subsections 1 through 10.

14 b. The natural resource commission shall provide, by rule,
15 for the distribution of free antlerless deer hunting licenses
16 annually to the administrators of public institutions in the
17 state. The free licenses shall be in addition to hunting
18 licenses allocated for resident and nonresident hunters as
19 otherwise provided in this chapter and shall be equivalent to
20 the least restrictive license issued pursuant to section
21 481A.38. Upon written request of an administrator, the
22 department shall allocate not more than one hundred antlerless
23 deer hunting licenses to the administrator.

24 c. Each administrator receiving an allocation of free
25 licenses pursuant to this subsection shall issue the free
26 licenses to residents of this state who agree to deliver the
27 harvested deer to a designated establishment. Each resident
28 accepting the free license shall be otherwise qualified to
29 hunt deer in this state. A wildlife habitat fee shall not be
30 required. Each administrator shall establish, by rule, the
31 procedures for allocating the free hunting licenses to
32 resident hunters. The rules shall also include procedures for
33 advertising the availability of the free hunting licenses and
34 the conditions attached to the receipt of the licenses.
35 Unless the administrator is a county sheriff, the rules shall

1 be adopted pursuant to chapter 17A.

2 d. Each administrator receiving an allocation of free deer
3 hunting licenses pursuant to this subsection shall contract
4 with one or more establishments to receive and process the
5 harvested deer. The deer meat shall be used as food for the
6 inmates or patients of the public institutions participating
7 in the antlerless deer hunting program authorized in this
8 subsection.

9 e. This subsection is repealed effective July 1, 2008.

10 EXPLANATION

11 This bill provides for the allocation of 100 free deer
12 hunting licenses for antlerless deer annually to each public
13 institution in this state upon request of the administrator of
14 the public institution. The natural resource commission shall
15 provide, by rule, for the procedures for distributing the deer
16 licenses to the administrators. The licenses shall be
17 equivalent to the least restrictive licenses issued by the
18 department under Code chapter 483A and shall be in addition to
19 licenses allocated to other resident and nonresident hunters.
20 A wildlife habitat fee shall not be required. "Public
21 institution" is defined to include county jails, state
22 hospital-schools, mental health institutes, state training
23 schools, state juvenile homes, state penitentiaries, or
24 correctional facilities. "Administrator" is defined to mean a
25 county sheriff, director, superintendent, or chief executive
26 officer of a public institution.

27 The administrator of a public institution requesting the
28 free hunting licenses shall allocate the licenses without fee
29 to resident hunters who agree to deliver the harvested deer to
30 an establishment as defined in Code section 189A.2, where wild
31 deer may be processed or dressed for human consumption. Each
32 administrator of a participating public institution shall
33 adopt rules, pursuant to Code chapter 17A unless the
34 administrator is a county sheriff, to advertise and distribute
35 the antlerless deer hunting licenses and to provide for the

1 processing of harvested meat at an establishment for
2 consumption at the participating public institution.
3 "Establishment" is defined to mean an establishment as defined
4 in Code section 189A.2, which includes all premises where
5 animals or poultry are slaughtered or otherwise prepared,
6 either for custom, resale, or retail, for food purposes, meat
7 or poultry canneries, sausage factories, smoking or curing
8 operations, restaurants, grocery stores, brokerages, cold
9 storage plants, and similar places.

10 A violation of a provision of the new subsection or a rule
11 adopted pursuant to the new subsection is punishable by a fine
12 of \$25 pursuant to Code section 805.8B, subsection 3,
13 paragraph "c".

14 The new subsection is repealed effective July 1, 2008.

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