

House File 190 - Introduced

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BY ARNOLD

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to deer hunting using muzzleloading firearms.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 481A.38, subsection 1, Code 2009, is
1 2 amended to read as follows:
1 3 1. The commission may upon its own motion and after an
1 4 investigation, alter, limit, or restrict the methods or means
1 5 employed and the instruments or equipment used in taking wild
1 6 mammals, birds subject to section 481A.48, fish, reptiles, and
1 7 amphibians, if the investigation reveals that the action would
1 8 be desirable or beneficial in promoting the interests of
1 9 conservation, or the commission may, after an investigation
1 10 when it is found there is imminent danger of loss of fish
1 11 through natural causes, authorize the taking of fish by means
1 12 found advisable to salvage imperiled fish populations.
1 13 a. The commission shall adopt a rule permitting a crossbow
1 14 to be used only by individuals with disabilities who are
1 15 physically incapable of using a bow and arrow under the
1 16 conditions in which a bow and arrow is permitted. The
1 17 commission shall prepare an application to be used by an
1 18 individual requesting the status. The application shall
1 19 require the individual's physician to sign a statement
1 20 declaring that the individual is not physically able to use a
1 21 bow and arrow.
1 22 b. The commission shall adopt a rule permitting any person
1 23 present in a hunting party using muzzleloading rifles or
1 24 pistols to tag a deer with a tag issued in that person's name
1 25 during the late muzzleloading season.

1 26 EXPLANATION

1 27 This bill would require the natural resource commission to
1 28 adopt a rule allowing any member of a deer hunting party using
1 29 muzzleloading firearms to tag a deer in that person's name,
1 30 regardless of who actually shot the deer during the late
1 31 muzzleloading season.
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