

Senate File 2205 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to issuance of additional free deer hunting
2 licenses to owners and tenants of farm units.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 483A.24, subsection 2, paragraph c, Code
2 2009, is amended to read as follows:

3 c. (1) Upon written application on forms furnished by the
4 department, the department shall issue annually without fee two
5 deer hunting licenses, one antlered or any sex deer hunting
6 license and one antlerless deer only deer hunting license, to
7 the owner of a farm unit or a member of the owner's family,
8 but only a total of two licenses for both, and to the tenant
9 of a farm unit or a member of the tenant's family, but only
10 a total of two licenses for both. The deer hunting licenses
11 issued shall be valid only for use on the farm unit for which
12 the applicant applies pursuant to this ~~paragraph~~ subparagraph.
13 The owner or the tenant need not reside on the farm unit to
14 qualify for the free deer hunting licenses to hunt on that
15 farm unit. The free deer hunting licenses issued pursuant to
16 this ~~paragraph~~ subparagraph shall be valid and may be used
17 during any shotgun deer season. The licenses may be used to
18 harvest deer in two different seasons. In addition, a person
19 who receives a free deer hunting license pursuant to this
20 ~~paragraph~~ subparagraph shall pay a one dollar fee for each
21 license that shall be used and is appropriated for the purpose
22 of deer herd population management, including assisting with
23 the cost of processing deer donated to the help us stop hunger
24 program administered by the commission.

25 (2) In addition to the deer hunting licenses issued
26 without fee under subparagraph (1), upon written application
27 on forms furnished by the department, the department shall
28 issue annually without fee one any sex deer hunting license for
29 the first forty acres of a farm unit and one antlerless deer
30 hunting license for each additional forty acres of the farm
31 unit to the owner or tenant of the farm unit. The deer hunting
32 licenses issued shall be valid only for use on the farm unit
33 for which the applicant applies pursuant to this subparagraph.
34 The owner or the tenant need not reside on the farm unit to
35 qualify for the free deer hunting licenses. The free deer

1 hunting licenses issued pursuant to this subparagraph shall
2 be valid and may be used during any shotgun deer season. The
3 licenses may be used to harvest deer in two different seasons.
4 The licenses are transferable and may be given or sold by the
5 owner or tenant, without prior notice to the department, to a
6 resident or nonresident hunter who is otherwise qualified to
7 hunt deer in this state. In addition, a person who receives
8 a free deer hunting license pursuant to this subparagraph
9 shall pay a one dollar fee for each license that shall be used
10 and is appropriated for the purpose of deer herd population
11 management, including assisting with the cost of processing
12 deer donated to the help us stop hunger program administered
13 by the commission.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill relates to the issuance of additional free deer
16 hunting licenses to owners and tenants of farm units.

17 The bill requires the department of natural resources to
18 issue annually one free any sex deer hunting license to an
19 owner or tenant of a farm unit for the first 40 acres of the
20 farm unit and one antlerless deer hunting license for each
21 additional 40 acres of the farm unit. The licenses are valid
22 only for use on the farm unit, are valid and may be used during
23 any shotgun deer season or in two different seasons. The
24 licenses are transferable and may be given or sold by the
25 owner or tenant, without prior notice to the department, to
26 a resident or nonresident hunter who is otherwise qualified
27 to hunt deer in this state. A person who receives the free
28 license must pay the \$1 fee that assists with processing deer
29 donated to the help us stop hunger program.