House Study Bill 564 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE	
ВУ	(PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
	NATURAL RESOURCES BILL BY
	CHAIRPERSON BACON)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to apparel requirements for persons passing
- 2 through public land or water during a muzzleloading season,
- 3 and making penalties applicable.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 481A.122, Code 2020, is amended by
- 2 striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the
- 3 following:
- 4 481A.122 Hunters' orange apparel.
- 5 l. A person shall not hunt deer with firearms unless the
- 6 person is at the time wearing one or more of the following
- 7 articles of visible, external apparel, the color and material
- 8 of which shall be solid blaze orange:
- 9 *a.* A vest.
- 10 b. A coat.
- 11 c. A jacket.
- 12 d. A sweatshirt.
- 13 e. A sweater.
- 14 f. A shirt.
- 15 q. Coveralls.
- 16 2. A person shall not hunt upland game birds, as defined by
- 17 the department, unless the person is at the time wearing one or
- 18 more of the following articles of visible, external apparel,
- 19 the color and material of which shall be at least fifty percent
- 20 solid blaze orange:
- 21 a. A hat.
- 22 b. A cap.
- 23 c. A vest.
- 24 d. A coat.
- 25 e. A jacket.
- 26 f. A sweatshirt.
- 27 g. A sweater.
- 28 h. A shirt.
- 29 i. Coveralls.
- 30 3. A person shall not pass through public land or water
- 31 while approaching or leaving a tree stand on public land during
- 32 a muzzleloading season established by the commission unless
- 33 the person is at the time wearing one or more of the following
- 34 articles of visible, external apparel, the color and material
- 35 of which shall be solid blaze orange:

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- 10 4. This section is not applicable to a person who is legally
- 11 hunting with a raptor.
- 12 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- This bill relates to apparel requirements for persons
- 16 hunting on public land or water. The bill prohibits a person
- 17 from passing through public land or water while approaching
- 18 or leaving a tree stand on public land during a muzzleloading
- 19 season established by the commission unless the person is
- 20 wearing one or more specified articles of visible, external
- 21 apparel, the color and material of which shall be solid blaze
- 22 orange. Under current law, only persons hunting deer with
- 23 firearms or persons hunting upland game birds are subject to
- 24 blaze orange apparel requirements.
- 25 The bill also modifies the structure of Code section
- 26 481A.122 in order to make grammatical and stylistic changes.
- 27 A person who violates the provisions of the bill is guilty of
- 28 a simple misdemeanor and subject to a scheduled fine of \$50.