

**Senate File 2043 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the identification and use of tree stands  
2 for hunting deer placed on public land and making penalties  
3 applicable.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 481A.41 Tree stands for hunting  
2 deer on public land — identification — prohibition.

3 1. A person shall not place a tree stand for hunting deer  
4 on public land unless the stand is affixed with and exhibits a  
5 metal plate that plainly shows the hunting license number of  
6 the owner of the stand. The metal plate shall be affixed on  
7 the front of the foot platform of the stand on the third step  
8 up from the ground. A person who fails to properly identify  
9 a tree stand placed on public land belonging to the person is  
10 subject to a scheduled fine under section 805.8B, subsection  
11 3, paragraph "b".

12 2. An owner of a tree stand placed on public land may  
13 prohibit any other person from using the tree stand. A  
14 person who uses a tree stand without the owner's permission is  
15 subject to a scheduled fine under section 805.8B, subsection  
16 3, paragraph "e".

17 3. The natural resource commission shall adopt rules  
18 pursuant to chapter 17A to implement this section.

19 Sec. 2. Section 805.8B, subsection 3, paragraphs b and e,  
20 Code 2020, are amended to read as follows:

21 b. For violations of section 481A.41, subsection 1, sections  
22 481A.54, 481A.69, 481A.71, 481A.72, 482.6, 483A.3, 483A.6,  
23 483A.8A, 483A.19, 483A.27, and 483A.27A, the scheduled fine is  
24 twenty dollars.

25 e. For violations of section 481A.41, subsection 2, sections  
26 481A.57, 481A.85, 481A.93, 481A.95, 481A.120, 481A.137, 481B.5,  
27 482.3, 482.9, 482.15, and 483A.42, the scheduled fine is one  
28 hundred dollars.

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EXPLANATION

30 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
31 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

32 This bill relates to the identification and use of tree  
33 stands for hunting deer placed on public land.

34 The bill requires that a stand placed on public land for  
35 hunting deer be affixed with and exhibit a metal plate that

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1 plainly shows the hunting license number of the owner of the  
2 stand. The metal plate must be affixed on the front of the foot  
3 platform of the stand on the third step up from the ground. An  
4 owner who does not properly identify a tree stand placed on  
5 public land belonging to the owner is subject to a scheduled  
6 fine of \$20.

7 The bill allows an owner of a tree stand placed on public  
8 land to prohibit any other person from using the tree stand. A  
9 person who uses a tree stand without the owner's permission is  
10 subject to a scheduled fine of \$100.

11 The natural resource commission shall adopt rules to  
12 implement the provisions of the bill.