

Senate File 47 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 47
BY CHAPMAN

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to youth deer and youth wild turkey hunting
2 licenses.

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

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 483A.8D Youth deer and youth wild
2 turkey hunting licenses — cost — season length.

3 1. The cost for a youth deer hunting license shall be no
4 more than fifty percent of the cost of a resident deer hunting
5 license, as provided in rules adopted pursuant to section
6 483A.1. The cost for a youth wild turkey hunting license shall
7 be no more than fifty percent of the cost of a resident wild
8 turkey hunting license, as provided in rules adopted pursuant
9 to section 483A.1.

10 2. The department shall make available for purchase youth
11 deer hunting licenses and youth wild turkey hunting licenses
12 during the entire calendar year.

13 3. Youth wild turkey hunting season shall last for nine
14 days, including two full weekends. The department may reduce
15 the length of the youth wild turkey hunting season only after
16 it submits to the public a report stating the biological reason
17 such a reduction is necessary and only after it eliminates all
18 other wild turkey hunting seasons.

19 EXPLANATION

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

22 The department of natural resources currently regulates
23 the cost and availability of youth deer and youth wild turkey
24 hunting licenses and the length of the youth wild turkey
25 hunting season by rule. This bill prohibits the department
26 from establishing a cost on a youth deer or youth wild turkey
27 hunting license that is higher than 50 percent of a resident
28 deer or resident wild turkey hunting license, respectively.
29 The bill also requires the department to sell youth deer and
30 youth wild turkey hunting licenses during the entire calendar
31 year. Last, the bill sets the season length for the youth wild
32 turkey hunting season at nine days. The department may shorten
33 the season only after it submits to the public a report in
34 which it explains the biological reason why reducing the length
35 of the season is necessary and only after it eliminates all

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1 other wild turkey hunting seasons.