

**Senate File 2046 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the use of deer depredation licenses.

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

1 Section 1. Section 481C.2A, subsection 5, paragraph b, Code  
2 2024, is amended to read as follows:

3 b. In addition to other times the department finds  
4 necessary, the department shall allow licenses and permits  
5 issued pursuant to [this section](#) to be used in the months of  
6 September, October, November, and December. Additionally,  
7 the department shall allow licenses issued pursuant to this  
8 section to be used in any county during the same time period  
9 as the January antlerless deer only hunting season established  
10 pursuant to section 483A.8, subsection 9, even if the county  
11 in which the license is used does not qualify for the January  
12 antlerless deer only hunting season.

13 EXPLANATION

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

16 This bill relates to the use of deer depredation licenses.  
17 Current law requires the department of natural resources (DNR)  
18 to allow deer depredation licenses to be used in the months of  
19 September, October, November, and December. The bill requires  
20 DNR to also allow the use of deer depredation licenses in any  
21 county during the same time period as the January antlerless  
22 deer only hunting season established pursuant to Code section  
23 483A.8(9), even if the county in which the license is used  
24 does not qualify for the January antlerless deer only hunting  
25 season.