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HOUSE FILE 475
BY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 210)

(As Amended and Passed by the House March 13, 2017)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the use of a straight wall cartridge rifle
2 to hunt deer and including penalties.

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

1 Section 1. Section 481A.48, Code 2017, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 6. The commission shall adopt rules
4 pursuant to chapter 17A allowing the use of straight wall
5 cartridge rifles to hunt deer as follows:

6 a. A straight wall cartridge rifle may be used to hunt deer
7 during youth and disabled deer hunting season and first and
8 second shotgun deer hunting seasons by a person who has a valid
9 deer hunting license and is otherwise qualified to hunt.

10 b. A straight wall cartridge rifle that is allowed pursuant
11 to this subsection shall be of the same caliber and use the
12 same straight wall ammunition as is allowed for use in a pistol
13 or revolver for hunting deer as provided in subsection 5.

14 In addition, the commission shall provide, by rule, for the
15 use of straight wall ammunition under this subsection that
16 meets ballistics specifications similar to the requirements
17 for straight wall ammunition allowed for use in a pistol or
18 revolver for hunting deer as provided in subsection 5.

19 c. A person possessing a prohibited rifle while hunting deer
20 commits a scheduled violation under section 805.8B, subsection
21 3, paragraph "h", subparagraph (6). In addition, the hunting
22 privileges of a person convicted of possessing a prohibited
23 rifle while hunting deer shall be suspended for two years.

24 Sec. 2. Section 805.8B, subsection 3, paragraph h, Code
25 2017, is amended by adding the following new subparagraph:

26 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH. (6) Possession of a prohibited rifle
27 while hunting deer, the scheduled fine is two hundred fifty
28 dollars.