

Fifty-ninth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**SENATE BILL NO. 2376**

Introduced by

Senators Lindaas, Fischer

Representatives D. Johnson, Nelson

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 20.1-03-11 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to the acreage requirement for gratis and the fee for preferential  
3 landowner licenses to hunt deer.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 20.1-03-11 of the North Dakota  
6 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 3. A resident who has executed a lease for at least one hundred ~~sixty~~ forty acres  
8 [~~64.75~~ 56.65599 hectares] of land and who actively farms or ranches that land or a  
9 person who holds title to at least one hundred ~~sixty~~ forty acres [~~64.75~~ 56.65599  
10 hectares] of land is eligible to apply for a license to hunt deer without charge, ~~or if~~  
11 ~~that person is a nonresident upon payment of the fee requirement for a nonresident~~  
12 ~~big game license~~, upon filing a signed application describing that land. The land  
13 must be within a unit open for the hunting of deer. The license must include a legal  
14 description of the eligible land described in the completed application and may be  
15 used to hunt deer only upon that land. A license issued under this subsection is  
16 valid for the deer bow, deer gun, and muzzleloader seasons until filled. However,  
17 a person, that person's spouse, and their children who have a license issued under  
18 this subsection may hunt together on land described in any of the affidavits making  
19 them eligible for the license. Family members hunting together under this provision  
20 shall hunt within the same unit within which the land described in the affidavit  
21 making them eligible for the license is located. Upon request, a lessee shall  
22 provide proof that the land described in the completed application is leased for  
23 agricultural purposes. A person who is eligible for a license under this subsection  
24 may transfer that eligibility for the license to a spouse or legal dependent residing

1 customarily with that person, but no more than one license may be issued under  
2 this subsection for any qualifying land. A person transferring eligibility under this  
3 subsection may not receive a license under this subsection for the season for  
4 which the eligibility was transferred. If not otherwise specified in an agricultural  
5 lease, the landowner is entitled to receive the license.