

Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED 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
12 nonresident big game license, upon filing a signed application describing that land.
13 The land must be within a unit open for the hunting of deer. The license must
14 include a legal description of the eligible land described in the completed
15 application and may be used to hunt deer only upon that land. A license issued
16 under this subsection is valid for the deer bow, deer gun, and muzzleloader
17 seasons until filled. However, a person, that person's spouse, and their children
18 who have a license issued under this subsection may hunt together on land
19 described in any of the affidavits making them eligible for the license. Family
20 members hunting together under this provision shall hunt within the same unit
21 within which the land described in the affidavit making them eligible for the license
22 is located. Upon request, a lessee shall provide proof that the land described in
23 the completed application is leased for agricultural purposes. A person who is
24 eligible for a license under this subsection may transfer that eligibility for the

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