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HOUSE BILL NO. 1238

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Representatives Porter, Kempenich, Nelson, Norland Senators Heitkamp, Lyson

- 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 gratis and preferential landowner licenses to hunt deer.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 20.1-03-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
 - A resident who An individual who is a resident, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, limited partnership, or partnership that has executed a lease for at least one hundred sixty acres [64.75 hectares] of land and who that actively farms or ranches that land or a person who an individual, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, limited partnership, or partnership that holds title to at least one hundred sixty acres [64.75 hectares] of land is eligible to apply for a license to hunt deer without charge, or if that person entity is a nonresident upon payment of the fee requirement for a nonresident big game license, upon filing a signed application describing that land. If the license is issued to a corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, limited partnership, or partnership, the license must be issued in the name of an individual shareholder, member, or partner. The land must be within a unit open for the hunting of deer. The license must include a legal description of the eligible land described in the completed application and may be used to hunt deer only upon that land. A license issued under this subsection is valid for the deer bow, deer gun, and muzzleloader seasons until filled. However, a person an individual, that person's individual's spouse, and their children who have a license issued under this subsection may hunt together on land described in any of the affidavits making them eligible for the license. Family members hunting together

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under this provision shall hunt within the same unit within which the land described in the affidavit making them eligible for the license is located. Upon request, a lessee shall provide proof that the land described in the completed application is leased for agricultural purposes. A person An individual who is eligible for a license under this subsection may transfer that eligibility for the license to a spouse or legal dependent residing customarily with that person individual, but no more than one license may be issued under this subsection for any qualifying land. A person An individual transferring eligibility under this subsection may not receive a license under this subsection for the season for which the eligibility was transferred. If not otherwise specified in an agricultural lease, the landowner is entitled to receive the license.