

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments****ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1402**

Introduced by

Representatives Wall, Dietrich, Kerzman, Williams

Senators Anderson, Hacker

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 20.1-02-05 and a new
2 section to chapter 20.1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authority of the game
3 and fish director to issue hunting licenses to a nonprofit organization and to establish
4 once-in-a-lifetime hunting opportunities for terminally ill children.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** A new subsection to section 20.1-02-05 of the North Dakota Century
7 Code is created and enacted as follows:

8 Issue free hunting licenses to an organization that sponsors hunting trips for
9 terminally ill children. A license issued under this subsection may be used by an
10 individual sponsored by the organization to hunt the species indicated on the
11 license.

12 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 20.1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is
13 created and enacted as follows:

14 **Governor's proclamation concerning once-in-a-lifetime big game hunts for**
15 **terminally ill children - Rules.** By proclamation, the governor may make available annually to
16 one organization up to eight deer licenses and four antelope licenses to hunt the species
17 indicated on the license in the manner, places, and times as the governor prescribes. The
18 organization shall make one license available to each qualified child to hunt the species of big
19 game indicated on the license as provided in the governor's proclamation. A qualified child
20 receiving a license under this section must comply with hunter education requirements and, if
21 under the age of eighteen, must be accompanied by an adult twenty-one years of age or older.
22 The director may adopt rules to implement this section. As used in this section, "organization"
23 means a nonprofit organization qualified under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3) with
24 the principal purpose of granting hunting and fishing adventures for children who have been

- 1 diagnosed with a terminal illness by a licensed physician and "qualified child" means a
- 2 terminally ill individual who is of legal age to hunt the species for which the license is valid but
- 3 under twenty-one years of age, is a resident, and is sponsored by an organization that provides
- 4 to the department supporting documentation demonstrating compliance with this section.