Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1172

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Representatives Wald, Carlson, Freier Senators Naaden, Solberg, Urlacher

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 3 and 4 of section 20.1-03-11 of the North
- 2 Dakota 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.** Subsections 3 and 4 of section 20.1-03-11 of the 1995 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code are amended and reenacted as follows:
  - A resident who has executed a lease for at least one hundred sixty acres [64.75 hectares] of land and who actively farms or ranches that land or a resident person who 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 is a nonresident upon payment of the fee requirement for a nonresident big game license, upon filing an affidavit describing that land. 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 affidavit and may be used to hunt deer only upon that land. Upon request a lessee shall provide proof that the land described in the affidavit is leased for agricultural purposes. A resident person 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 the resident that person, but no more than one license may be issued under this subsection for any qualifying land. A resident person 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.
  - 4. One percent of the total deer licenses and permits to hunt deer with guns to be issued in any unit or subunit as described in the governor's proclamation, including

- 1 <u>licenses issued to nonresidents under subsection 3,</u> must be allocated for
- 2 nonresidents.