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Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2229

Introduced by

Senators Erbele, Heitkamp

Representatives Brandenburg, Headland

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to driving offroad for hunting purposes.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **20.1-01-07. Hunting big game or small game other than placing decoys for**
7 **hunting waterfowl or cranes with motor-driven vehicles prohibited - Exception -**
8 **Motor-driven vehicle use in transporting big game restricted.** Except as provided in
9 subsection 10 of section 20.1-02-05 and as otherwise provided in this section, a person, other
10 than the landowner, without the written permission of the landowner or a lessee who actively
11 farms or ranches that land, while hunting big game furbearers, or small game, other than
12 placing decoys for hunting waterfowl or cranes, statewide, may not use a motor-driven vehicle
13 on any land other than an established road or trail, unless that person has reduced a big game
14 animal to possession and cannot easily retrieve the big game animal, in which case a
15 motor-driven vehicle may be used to retrieve the big game animal, but after retrieval, the
16 motor-driven vehicle must be returned to the established road or trail along the same route it
17 originally departed. A person may not use a motor-driven vehicle on any land other than an
18 established road or trail to hunt upland game ~~during the deer gun season~~. For purposes of
19 safety and allowing normal travel, a motor-driven vehicle may be parked on the roadside or
20 directly adjacent to ~~said~~ the road or trail. ~~No~~ A person may not, while hunting big game or
21 small game, statewide, ~~may~~ drive or attempt to drive, run or attempt to run, molest or attempt to
22 molest, flush or attempt to flush, or harass or attempt to harass any ~~such~~ game with the use or
23 aid of ~~any~~ a motor-driven vehicle. A person, other than the landowner, without the written
24 permission of the landowner or a lessee who actively farms or ranches that land, while hunting

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- 1 big game furbearers, or small game, other than placing decoys for hunting waterfowl or cranes,
- 2 statewide, may not drive through any retired cropland, brush area, slough area, timber area,
- 3 open prairie, or unharvested or harvested cropland, except upon an established road or trail.
- 4 ~~The provisions of this section relating to hunting big game or small game while using a~~
- 5 ~~motor driven vehicle on any land other than an established road or trail without the written~~
- 6 ~~permission of the landowner or a lessee who actually farms or ranches that land do not apply to~~
- 7 ~~the hunting of big game during an open and lawful season for small game.~~