

HOUSE BILL NO. 1406

Introduced by

Representative Vig

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.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 20.1-03-11 of the North Dakota
5 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

6 3. An individual who is a resident, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability
7 partnership, limited partnership, or partnership that has executed a lease for at
8 least one hundred sixty acres [64.75 hectares] of land and that actively farms or
9 ranches that land or an individual, corporation, limited liability company, limited
10 liability partnership, limited partnership, or partnership that holds title to at least one
11 hundred sixty acres [64.75 hectares] of land is eligible to apply for a license to hunt
12 deer without charge, or if that entity is a nonresident upon payment of the fee
13 requirement for a nonresident big game license, upon filing a signed application
14 describing that land. If the license is issued to a corporation, limited liability
15 company, limited liability partnership, limited partnership, or partnership, only one
16 license may be issued and the license must be issued in the name of an individual
17 shareholder, member, or partner. The land must be within a unit open for the
18 hunting of deer. The license must include a legal description of the eligible land
19 described in the completed application and may be used to hunt deer only upon
20 that land. A license issued under this subsection is valid for the deer bow, deer
21 gun, and muzzleloader seasons until filled. ~~However, an~~ however, if filled during
22 the deer bow or deer gun season, a person is entitled to apply for and receive a
23 second license valid for the muzzleloader season. An individual, that individual's
24 spouse, and their children who have a license issued under this subsection may

1 hunt together on land described in any of the affidavits making them eligible for the
2 license. Family members hunting together under this provision shall hunt within
3 the same unit within which the land described in the affidavit making them eligible
4 for the license is located. Upon request, a lessee shall provide proof that the land
5 described in the completed application is leased for agricultural purposes. An
6 individual who is eligible for a license under this subsection may transfer that
7 eligibility for the license to a spouse or legal dependent residing customarily with
8 that individual, but no more than one license may be issued under this subsection
9 for any qualifying land. An individual transferring eligibility under this subsection
10 may not receive a license under this subsection for the season for which the
11 eligibility was transferred. If not otherwise specified in an agricultural lease, the
12 landowner is entitled to receive the license.