

Introduced by

Representatives Nathe, Headland

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1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 20.1-03-11 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to youth antelope hunting.

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

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

6 1. An individual may not hunt, kill, take, or attempt to take any big game without having
7 the appropriate big game hunting license and a locking seal bearing a number
8 corresponding to the number of the big game hunting license or stamp. The locking
9 seal must be issued as an integral part of the big game hunting license. Except as
10 otherwise provided in this subsection, an individual may not apply for or be issued a
11 big game hunting license if that individual's fourteenth birthday does not occur on or
12 before the opening date of the respective big game hunting season provided,
13 however, that an individual who is under fourteen years of age and who will be eligible
14 to hunt on the opening date of the regular deer hunting season may hunt during the
15 youth deer season and an individual who is under fourteen years of age and who will
16 be eligible to hunt on the opening date of the regular antelope hunting season may
17 hunt during the youth antelope season. This age limitation does not apply to applicants
18 for big game licenses for hunting by bow and arrow. Each violation of this section is a
19 distinct and separate offense. The following provisions govern youth deer and
20 antelope hunting:

21 a. An individual whose twelfth birthday occurs on or before the opening date of the
22 youth deer hunting season but is younger than fourteen years of age is entitled to
23 receive a statewide white-tailed antlerless deer permit but may hunt only in the
24 youth deer hunting season.

- 1 b. An individual whose twelfth birthday occurs on or before the opening date of the
2 youth antelope hunting season but is younger than fourteen years of age is
3 entitled to receive an antelope permit but may hunt only in the youth antelope
4 hunting season.
- 5 c. An individual hunting under subdivision a or b must be accompanied by the
6 individual's parent, guardian, or other individual authorized by the individual's
7 parent or guardian. As used in this section, "accompanied" means to stay within a
8 distance that permits uninterrupted visual contact and unaided verbal
9 communication.