

HOUSE BILL NO. 1407

Introduced by

Representatives D. Johnson, Hofstad, Weisz

Senators Taylor, Oehlke

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-03-07.1 of the North Dakota Century
2 Code, relating to hunting of Canada geese by nonresidents; to provide for a study; to provide an
3 effective date; and to provide an expiration date.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-03-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **20.1-03-07.1. (Effective through July 31, 2013) Nonresident waterfowl hunting license**
8 **required.**

9 Except as provided in sections 20.1-02-05, 20.1-03-07.2, and 20.1-03-07.3, a nonresident
10 may not hunt waterfowl unless that individual first obtains a nonresident waterfowl hunting
11 license. However, a nonresident may hunt cranes after first obtaining a nonresident waterfowl
12 hunting license or a nonresident small game hunting license. Except as otherwise provided in
13 this section, the nonresident waterfowl hunting license entitles the nonresident to hunt waterfowl
14 for any period of fourteen consecutive days or any two periods of seven consecutive days each.
15 A license authorizing the fourteen-day hunting period allows hunting in a specified waterfowl
16 hunting zone. A license authorizing two 7-day hunting periods allows hunting in a specified zone
17 during each period. Upon payment of the fee for a statewide nonresident waterfowl hunting
18 license, a nonresident may hunt waterfowl in any zone. Forty dollars of the fee for a statewide
19 nonresident waterfowl license must be used for the private land open to sportsmen program.
20 The governor, in the governor's proclamation, shall specify various waterfowl hunting zones for
21 which nonresident waterfowl hunting licenses will be available, and may specify the number of
22 licenses which may be issued in each zone and the manner in which they are to be issued. A
23 nonresident is entitled to purchase only one nonresident waterfowl hunting license per year. The
24 fourteen-day and two 7-day hunting period restrictions do not apply to nonresidents hunting in

1 Richland and Sargent Counties or in Benson, Ramsey, or Towner Counties during the early
2 September Canada goose season.

3 **(Effective after July 31, 2013) Nonresident waterfowl hunting license required.**

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19 **SECTION 2. GAME AND FISH STUDY.** The game and fish department shall conduct a
20 study of goose hunting in this state. The department must track the number of resident and
21 nonresident goose hunters and the number of geese taken by county. The department shall
22 report its findings to the legislative management by September 1, 2012.

23 **~~SECTION 3. EXPIRATION DATE. This Act is effective through July 31, 2013, and after~~**
24 **~~that date is ineffective.~~**