

HB 1094

House Energy and Natural Resources

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When this opportunity was originally proposed, several North Dakota Sportsman and Outdoor groups supported the bill.

The thought was funds which could be raised, through raffles and auctions, would greatly benefit an individual groups efforts in their work to enhance education, conservation, habitat, etc.

This was especially true for the North Dakota Bowhunters Association's entity, the North Dakota Bowhunters Foundation. Early in the program, The Bowhunter Foundation benefited by receiving a Moose tag and with its fundraising effort, greatly improved their mission to provide funding for activities which advance the sport of archery, promote the cause of education, encourage community betterment, and assist people to learn more about Archery and Bowhunting in North Dakota.

During the past few years, the door has opened quite a bit further, hockey clubs, gymnastic clubs, church groups, and approximately 150 other 501c3 organizations have shown interest in this fundraising opportunity. It certainly is a good fundraiser for an organization.

HB 1094 intends to open the door even further. Perhaps to out of state organizations. The North Dakota Bowhunters Association and the Bowhunters Foundation would ask for you to consider those North Dakota Outdoor and Sportsman groups who would use the funds generated from this program to further enhance North Dakota's outdoor opportunities.