

2015 HOUSE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 1081

2015 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Energy and Natural Resources Committee

Pioneer Room, State Capitol

HB 1081

1/15/2015

Job #22029

Job #22028 for the vote, at 29:00

☐ Subcommittee

☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature

Beckie Strega

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

Relating to big game and turkey hunting licenses for youth with a life-threatening illness.

Minutes:

Attachments #1, 2 & 3

Chairman Porter opens hearing on HB 1081.

Representative Nelson: This would allow some hunting licenses for youth with severe illness. This is a bill that Representative John Wall that wanted to see through, it an honor for me to represent and introduce this bill. It would provide hunt elk moose and turkey licenses for young people with serious health issues. It's great that we have people in the state of North Dakota that are willing to spend time providing these types of services.

I will turn this over to Brian and his group.

Chairman Porter : On page 2, section c, line 14, was there any reason we were going with 21 as definition of an adult. A lot of other things we have done with Game and Fish chapters, we've used 18 as an adult for supervision purposes. You're saying that the individual using the tag is under 18, then the person supervising has to be over 21. This isn't consistent with what we've done in the past.

Nelson: Tim Dawson drafted this bill and that issue didn't come up. Maybe Mr. Steinwand has some perspective on that. I wasn't aware that this is different from other licenses.

Chairman Porter: On line 17, the qualified youth definition is up to twenty-five years of age.

Representative John Nelson: I believe that was the request of the Outdoor Adventure Foundation. Possibly Mr. Solum can respond to that.

Brian Solum, Founder & President of The Outdoor Adventure Foundation
(Attachment 1 & 2)

Rep. Bob Hunsakor : What about ages between 18-25?

Brian: All recipients are up to age 25. If they're under the age of 18 they have to have an adult with them on one our hunts.

Rep. Mike Nathe: What is the process when someone contacts you that they have a youth that has cancer.

Brian: A lot of kids come through the hospital They find us on the internet, they contact us, we send information and request client profiles about their disease and a doctors statement. We keep liability waivers and information on file. It starts the process. We find out from the kids what their favorite hunts are. Many kids wheelchair bound aren't able to participate in sports, and this gives them something big to look forward to, and it's life-changing for some of them.

Rep. Mike Nathe: Does anyone get turned away?

Brian: No. We deal with all kinds of illnesses.

Rep. Mike Lefor: This is fantastic. You should be commended for what you are doing. How did you arrive at the number of tags for turkey, elk, moose, etc?

Brian: We currently have 8 deer tags, lowered down to 7. Currently 4 antelope tags, we lowered down to 2. We like to do 2 spring turkey hunts, 1 elk hunt, and 1 moose hunt.

Rep. Mike Lefor : Is this number sufficient for what you are looking for?

Brian: It is. We also send kids to Montana for mule deer hunts. And we send one to Wyoming that we have set up. We do other hunts and fishing groups up to 30 at a time. Our pheasant group is about 25. We get the heads mounted and the meat processed for our recipients. We have a lot of good sponsors.

Rep. Bob Hunsakor: Do you receive any state money?

Brian: No, but we could sure use some. It's all by private donation and corporate sponsors. I also write grants.

We do have a CD that is emotional.

09:55

Scott Peterson, Deputy Director of ND Game and Fish Dept.
(Attachment 3)

Scott we recommend a do pass on HD 1081

Rep. Mike Lefor: Who made the decision to reduce the deer and pronghorn licenses? And, why?

Scott: That may be better addressed to the sponsor of the bill.

Rep. Curt Hofstad: Do we have any other organizations asking to do the same thing?

12:14

Scott: We do have other organizations asking for licenses, not necessarily for youth life threatening diseases. I have a list of the organizations: 1 spring turkey tag to the National Wildlife National Turkey Federation, 1 bighorn sheep tag to the Foundation for North American Wild Sheep, 1 moose tag to the Wildlife Enforcement Museum, 1 elk tag to the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, 1 mule deer tag to the Mule Deer Foundation, and up 8 pronghorn tags available to terminally ill children, up to 4 of any deer and 6 any whitetail tags available to the Injured Military Wildlife Project.

Rep. Mike Nathe: The groups you listed, are they listed in code?

Scott: Yes, those are specifically listed in code.

Rep. Bob Hunskor: It seems something of this importance, that the number of pronghorn and deer should not be diminished. From the sponsors, I would like to hear why the numbers are reduced to compensate for the moose, turkey and the elk.

Scott: I can only speculate and cannot speak for the sponsors. The point is well taken, though.

Rep. Bob Hunskor: Mr. Vice Chair, can we get an answer to that?

Vice Chairman Damschen: We will call on Mr. Solum.

Brian: I asked to reduce the numbers. Having an elk and a moose tag would be very important to us. We don't have to reduce the numbers for the antelope tag or the deer tags from 8 to 7, or from 4 to 2. We voluntarily did that. We are a volunteer organization.

This would also be a showcase for North Dakota. We film the hunts for national TV. There will be a lot of exposure about North Dakota itself, incorporated into our stories about our kids and their plight.

15:48

Mike Donahue, Wildlife Federation: We are in support of the bill.

16:30

Close the hearing on HB 1081.

Returned to HB 1081 for further discussion and action.
(Recording on Job 22028 at 29:00)

Rep. Bob Hunsakor: After the meeting closed, I visited with a couple folks. One person who deals with this indicated that last year there were 8 deer licenses available to young people who had a life threatening disease, and only 3 were used. There were 4 pronghorn available and none were used.

Chairman Porter: I don't think we had season last year (in the Governor's Proclamation). Unless it was opened up last year by Amidon. It may have been a limited season last year. That area is very difficult to get access because of the land situation.

Rep. Bob Hunsakor: I talked to Game and Fish about leaving the number of deer and antelope license available for youth, they said that small number would be irrelevant to them.

Chairman Porter: This is what they wanted and I don't know if it's worthy of amending numbers. It's their bill.

Rep. Curt Hofstad: Motioned Do Pass.

Rep. Mike Nathe: Second the Motion.

Chairman Porter: Discussion?

Rep. Mike Nathe: Is anybody up to age 25 years old eligible for this?

Chairman Porter: That is correct. Their mission is of their 501 (c) (3) from ages 25 on down. This bill is written accordingly.

Chairman Porter: No further discussion. Clerk will call the roll on a Do Pass on HB 1081.

A Roll Call vote was taken: Yes: 8 No: 0 Absent: 5 (Representative Anderson, Representative Devlin, Representative Keiser, Representative Mock, Representative Muscha)

Do Pass carries 8-0

Rep. Bob Hunsakor will carry the bill.

**2015 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. "Enter Bill/Resolution No." 1081**

House Energy and Natural Resources Committee

☐ Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description:

Recommendation: ☐ Adopt Amendment
☒ Do Pass ☐ Do Not Pass ☐ Without Committee Recommendation
☐ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
☐ Place on Consent Calendar
Other Actions: ☐ Reconsider ☐ _____

Motion Made By Rep. Curt Hofstad Seconded By Rep. Mike Nathe

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Porter	x		Rep. Bob Hunskor	x	
Vice Chairman Damschen	x		Rep. Corey Mock	A	
Rep. Dick Anderson	A		Rep. Naomi Muscha	A	
Rep. Roger Brabandt	x				
Rep. Bill Devlin	A				
Rep. Glen Froseth	x				
Rep. Curt Hofstad	x				
Rep. George Keiser	A				
Rep. Mike Lefor	x				
Rep. Mike Nathe	x				

Total (Yes) 8 No 0

Absent 5

Floor Assignment Rep. Bob Hunskor

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1081: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Porter, Chairman)
recommends **DO PASS** (8 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).
HB 1081 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2015 SENATE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 1081

2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Energy and Natural Resources
Fort Lincoln Room, State Capitol

HB 1081
3/5/2015
24346

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☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature

Kate Ouel

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

Relating to big game and turkey hunting for youth with life-threatening illnesses

Minutes:

attachment

Chairman Schaible called the committee to order, roll was taken and all members were present.

Representative Jon Nelson: I am here to introduce HB 1081 which adds several licenses to the outdoor adventure foundation which is a group that has provided hunts for young people with mostly terminal and serious illnesses. These groups have worked with game and fish and have a good working relationship with them. It provides the experience for these young people and we would hope that you look favorably and pass this bill.

Senator Triplett: When would it be time to ask game and fish to ask them to take care of it on their own?

Representative Jon Nelson: That is a good point that would be another avenue to determine who is eligible and who isn't. They had concerns about where they fit into state law. There are some groups that have more or less standing than others. From a practical standpoint the department could make the distinction. We want that to filter through the process in some cases as well. I do not have a strong feeling either way.

Mike Donahue: North Dakota Wildlife Foundation. Support the bill.

Scott Peterson: See attachment #1. 7:53-9:24

Chairman Schaible: What percentage would be where it would get to be not a good idea?

Scott Peterson: It is a good question, even though these are good causes where do you draw the line? I am not sure if we are prepared to answer that because I do not know.

Chairman Schaible: Couldn't game and fish decide this on their own without legislation?

Scott Peterson: I think that we can make it work if that is the wishes of the committee. It puts the responsibility on us of deciding who deserves and who is not. Currently we allocate one spring turkey to the turkey fed for raffle, 1 wild sheep, 1 moose, 1 elk license, 1 mule deer license, 1 pronghorn to North Dakota hunter education association. See attachment #2.

Chairman Schaible: Going down that line as this list expands and the interest is opened of Pandora's Box. I think parameters before are a good idea it is a way to prioritize.

Scott Peterson: I agree.

Mike Donahue: On the house HB 1177 was asking for an elk license. Our org is going to put a halt to this. We are not opposing most of these things but this one is just being adjusted.

There was no further testimony and Chairman Schaible closed the hearing on HB 1081.


2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Energy and Natural Resources
Fort Lincoln Room, State Capitol

HB 1081
3/12/2015
24725

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Relating to big game and turkey hunting licenses for youth with a life-threatening illness.

Minutes:

Senator Laffen: I think that Game and Fish needs to set, or we need to set, some parameters be it now or next session.

Chairman Schaible: Initially when I asked him about that idea he resisted because he didn't want to be the bad guy.

Senator Armstrong: I like the idea but what are the parameters? I do not have such a huge issue with elk or sheep because the vast majority of those tickets that are sold the majority of the money goes back to the habitat for those animals.

Chairman Schaible: I didn't bring the email down with my notes on it but basically the existing ones in statue would continue and then it was based on science and biology suggest that there would be licenses available. The other thing is we allowing for profit for a fundraiser? Like I said we didn't get into that much because we needed to first find out if we are interested in attaching it to the bill.

Senator Triplett: I would be interested in attaching it to this bill. We could put together 4 or 5 parameters to this.

Chairman Schaible: I will forward that email to the committee.

Senator Laffen: I am not opposed to turning it into a study.

2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Energy and Natural Resources Fort Lincoln Room, State Capitol

HB 1081
3/12/2015
24756

- ☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature

Kate Oliver

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

Relating to big game and turkey hunting licenses for youth with a life-threatening illness.

Minutes:

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Chairman Schaible called the committee to order.

Senator Triplett: I think that there almost all the suggestions are good ones except for number 2, grandfathering in of organizations. If we are going to cut it off then maybe there is an argument for opening it up every 3 or 4 years to do an open process for other organizations for the right to do raffles.

Senator Laffen: Didn't the original bill deal with wild turkeys? I do not see them on the list, is this an all-inclusive list?

Senator Armstrong: Do we know how many are in code now?

Senator Laffen: The license wanted to add wild turkeys and this doesn't say anything about wild turkeys.

Chairman Schaible: If we are going to do this it should be all species and all hunting. I would say we do not want to exempt that. If you are going to give away a license for profit or fundraising there should be criteria. There was also a suggestion that if we are going to do this then maybe direct what kind of fundraising it can be and where that money should go. If we want to go down this road we would need to work on some amendments, I am just hoping to promote discussion.

Senator Laffen: No more than 2% of big game licenses, do you think that means 2% from each of those?

Vice Chair Unruh: You had mentioned that these licenses were not trying to make money for these organizations. Would that include raffles?

Chairman Schaible: My thought was 'for profit' rather than for money. They will all be

generated for something, be it fundraising or reinvesting into the habitat for the species. Those seem to be reasonable requests but if you are having a raffle to promote a foundation that uses that for administration and expenses that would be more of a concern that I would have.

Senator Hogue: The only concern that I have is if we are going to go down this road we should require game and fish to have some control over how the organizations spend this money. I think we should make clear that we expect the organizations invest it back into the appropriate use of those funds.

Senator Armstrong: I would like to see some kind of statement that says that preference will be given to organizations that use the money to give it back to hunting habitat and outdoor related activities. You don't want it too tight but some of the organizations that have asked for these special permits in the past it is not really germane for hunting and fishing. I wouldn't want it too specific.

Chairman Schaible: Maybe we should have game and fish come in and we can talk about it. His suggestion was that we provide intent but they allow them to enforce.

Senator Triplett: Reinvest in habitat or for charitable purposes or something like that. A majority of these permits are used to get disabled people in the field to hunt and I think that charitable purposes related to hunting or the outdoors is a good idea.

Chairman Schaible: If we put that down as intent it gives it the idea and can revisit it if we needed to.

There was no further discussion and Chairman Schaible closed committee work on HB 1081.

2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Energy and Natural Resources
Fort Lincoln Room, State Capitol

HB 1081
3/19/2015
25141

☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature

Kate Olive

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

Relating to big game and turkey hunting licenses for youth with a life-threatening illness.

Minutes:

1 Attachment

Chairman Schaible opened the committee work on HB 1018. He handed out amendment 15.0145.04001 for the bill. See attachment #1.

Chairman Schaible: As I suggested before, rather than try to solve this issue I thought it might be a good idea to study the ideas about gift licenses and fundraisers.

Senator Triplett: Do you think we have the courage to make it a mandatory study?

Chairman Schaible: I would agree with that.

Senator Triplett: I think that this is an important topic that is worth the time.

Senator Triplett then made a motion to further amend the amendment 4001 version with a second by Senator Armstrong, there was no further discussion, roll was taken and the motion passed on a 6-0-1 count.

Vice Chair Unruh then moved a do pass as amended with a second by Senator Armstrong, roll was taken, the motion passed on a 6-0-1 count with Senator Armstrong carrying the bill to the floor.

March 19, 2015

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1081

Page 1, line 3, after "illness" insert "; and to provide for a legislative management study"

Page 5, after line 5, insert:

"SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY. During the 2015-16 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying game and fish department licenses provided to entities for the purpose of fundraising. The study must include a review of the present law in this and other states and of allowing the game and fish department to issue these licenses through certain procedures and with certain limits created by the legislative assembly. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-fifth legislative assembly."

Renumber accordingly

March 19, 2015

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Renumber accordingly

**2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1081**

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee

☐ Check here for Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number 15.0145.04001

Action Taken Further Amend

Motion Made By Senator Triplett Seconded By Senator Armstrong

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Chairman Schaible	X		Senator Murphy	X	
Vice Chair Unruh	X		Senator Triplett	X	
Senator Armstrong	X				
Senator Hogue					
Senator Laffen	X				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 1

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

**2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1081**

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass as Further Amended

Motion Made By Vice Chair Unruh Seconded By Senator Armstrong

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Chairman Schaible	X		Senator Murphy	X	
Vice Chair Unruh	X		Senator Triplett	X	
Senator Armstrong	X				
Senator Hogue					
Senator Laffen	X				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Senator Armstrong

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1081: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Schaible, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** and **BE REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1081 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 3, after "illness" insert "; and to provide for a legislative management study"

Page 5, after line 5, insert:

"SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY. During the 2015-16 interim, the legislative management shall study game and fish department licenses provided to entities for the purpose of fundraising. The study must include a review of the present law in this and other states and the desirability and feasibility of allowing the game and fish department to issue these licenses through certain procedures and with certain limits created by the legislative assembly. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-fifth legislative assembly."

Renumber accordingly

2015 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

HB 1081

2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Harvest Room, State Capitol

HB 1081
3/30/2015
Job # 25566

- ☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature



Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact NDCC, relating to big game and turkey hunting licenses for youth with a life-threatening illness. (Without Committee Recommendation)

Minutes:

No testimony submitted

Chairman Holmberg called the committee to order on Monday, March 30, 2015, at 8:30 am in regards to HB 1081. Roll Call was taken. All committee members were present. Becky Deichert, OMB, Chris Kadrmas, Legislative Council, were also present.

Chairman Holmberg We have a very busy schedule. We don't have floor session on Friday. The committee will meet. I have to be gone on Friday but the subcommittees will meet. We will have a meeting of the subcommittee on Commerce at 8:00 on Friday and we are not scheduling any other subcommittees at 8:00 on Friday. There is an issue that has come up that is going to be presented to the subcommittee, but I don't want just three of us hearing that. I would prefer we're all there, but we are not reopening the hearing. We are just having a subcommittee meeting and you are all invited to sit in and participate as you would like. That is Friday morning.

Senator Robinson: Do we have an up-to-date schedule of subcommittees for the week, or will it go day to day?

Chairman Holmberg: It will go day to day but there is one that's been refined. We have more meetings this time with the House on various issues so I have changed and Senator Wanzek is going to go on the DOT budget and I am going off that one.

Senator Carlisle asked if we will meet on Commerce at 8:00 on Friday in this room.

Chairman Holmberg: Yes. I am the Chair, even though I won't be here. We will schedule that at 8:00 on Friday morning. I would suggest you don't schedule necessarily yet, until you see how things are going. You might find that Health Dept or DOT has done it's work so that the other ones can get scheduled for Friday. (11.13)

Chairman Holmberg: We will open the hearing on 1081. This originally came from Natural Resources. There is no fiscal note. Why did it get here?

Kim Kary, Chief of Administrative Services Division of the ND Game & Fish Department. I don't know either why this bill is here before appropriations Committee. I called Chad last week, there was no a fiscal note on this bill. It does allow for some licenses to do fundraising.

Chairman Holmberg: We had a hearing. Tell us about the bill.

Kim Kary: I believe this is the one that first went through as a license for youth with life-threatening illness, they amended it; they wanted to do a study, where it got confused, the legislative management shall study, (not G& F) when they originally were going to make us pay for it, but now I am not sure who is paying for the study.

Senator Carlisle: It's pretty much a policy bill.

Chairman Holmberg: It is a policy bill. We have to do something with it. Energy and Natural Resources have to carry it anyway.

Senator Mathern it is a required study. I think it is a great idea to pass it out Without Committee Recommendation. I make that motion. 2nd by Senator Carlisle.

Chairman Holmberg: Call the roll on a Without Committee Recommendation on HB 1158.

A Roll Call vote was taken. Yea: 13; Nay: 0; Absent: 0. Senator Mathern will carry the bill on the floor. The hearing was closed on HB 1081.

There was further discussion regarding HB 1005 by Senator Carlisle at the end of this recording, however, no action was taken. The subcommittee agreed to give Mr. Davis, who we think is doing a good job with very difficult services. He's traveled a lot more, he hired a guy on some of these health issues, I think there is \$3000 in travel, and a little bit of equity, a small amount of money and the subcommittee agreed it's not that many dollars and we are getting amendments drafted and not even meet again and just present it to the full committee. Mr. Davis is working up in the northeast, got a potential of a contract, possibility of losing some folks, so that amendment will come up.

Chairman Holmberg: What you have done is the \$2000 which makes sense. And then the salary issue was addressed.

Date: 3-30-15
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2015 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1081

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: WCR

Recommendation: ☐ Adopt Amendment
☐ Do Pass ☐ Do Not Pass ☒ Without Committee Recommendation
☐ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
☐ Place on Consent Calendar

Other Actions: ☐ Reconsider ☐ _____

Motion Made By Mather Seconded By Carlisle

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Chairman Holmberg	✓		Senator Heckaman	✓	
Senator Bowman	✓		Senator Mather	✓	
Senator Krebsbach	✓		Senator O'Connell	✓	
Senator Carlisle	✓		Senator Robinson	✓	
Senator Sorvaag	✓				
Senator G. Lee	✓				
Senator Kilzer	✓				
Senator Erbele	✓				
Senator Wanzek	✓				

Total (Yes) 13 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Natural Resources

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Armstrong

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1081, as amended: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman)
recommends **BE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**
(13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1081, as amended, was
placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

2015 TESTIMONY

HB 1081

#1 HB 1081 1-15-15
NDLA, H ASST - Strege, Beckie

From: brian.solum@gmail.com on behalf of Brian Solum <brians@ndoaf.org>
Sent: Monday, January 19, 2015 10:01 AM
To: NDLA, H ASST - Strege, Beckie
Subject: HB 1081

Beckie - The Outdoor Adventure Foundation is a North Dakota Incorporated 501 (c) (3) that provides hunting, fishing, & outdoor adventures for youth's under the age of 25 that have been diagnosed with cancer & other life threatening illness's. We are asking that OAF receive annually one elk, one moose, 7 deer, two antelope, & two turkey tags for North Dakota youth's. Our hunts would take place mainly on private land with individual landowners and guides. There is a process that starts with our recipients and includes a personal profile, liability waiver, and a statement from their doctor telling us about the cancer or other disease. All our recipients under the age of 18 are required to have a parent or guardian along for their adventure. The Outdoor Adventure Foundation is coming up on its six year anniversary as we continue making big outdoor dreams come true. We will be filming most of these hunts which many will air on national television as we tell some stories about our North Dakota recipients. We look forward to working with the North Dakota Game & Fish in making these awesome hunting dreams come true for some less fortunate.

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The Outdoor Adventure Foundation
 Annual Fundraising Dinner Banquet
March 21st, 2015
 Hilton Garden Inn, Grand Ballroom
 Fargo, ND 58103

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THE Outdoor ADVENTURE FOUNDATION

A Foundation Fulfilling Hunting & Fishing ADVENTURES

- Children and young adults with cancer or other life threatening illnesses
- Combat disabled veterans who have lost a limb or are wheelchair bound due to an active service injury



Our Mission...

The Outdoor Adventure Foundation, Inc. provides hunting and fishing adventures for children under the age of 18 and young adults under the age of 25 with cancer or other life threatening illness.

We also provide hunting and fishing adventures for combat disabled veterans under the age of 40 that are wheelchair bound caused by injury during active service or who have lost a limb during active service.

The hunts will include big game hunts such as deer, elk, moose, bear and also small game including duck, goose, pheasant and quail. The fishing trips are fresh and salt water species of many kinds including bass, walleye, northern pike, muskie, salmon, halibut, trout and others.



Sam Floberg
Army National Guard
(Afghanistan)

Success Stories...

We have been able to fulfill the dream hunts for these individuals in North Dakota. With your help we can continue making more dreams come true for others in our area.

Gerard Schucard
20 years old
Hunt - Elk
Illness - Cancer



Jacob Greenmeyer
17 years old
Hunt - Antelope
Illness - Cancer



Jared Jacob
17 years old
Hunt - Elk
Illness - Cancer



How You Can Help...

You can help fulfill a dream by donating today. Donations of money, resources, services and even Frequent Flyer miles are gladly accepted.

Fill out the form below and mail it today!

Name _____

Company / Group _____

E-Mail _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

- ☐ I would like to donate to disabled veteran's hunting adventure!
- ☐ I would like to donate to a youth's adventure!
- ☐ I would like to donate goods & services
- ☐ I can help spread the word
- ☐ I know a youth that needs help

Annual Sponsorship Levels

\$25,000 Diamond	\$10,000 Platinum
\$5,000 Gold	\$2,500 Silver
\$1,000 Bronze	\$500 Copper

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January 15, 2015

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- *1 Moose to Wildlife Enforcement Museum raffle (NDCC 20.1-08-04.2)
- *1 Elk to Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation raffle (NDCC 20.1-08-04.6)
- *1 Mule Deer license to Mule Deer Foundation raffle (NDCC 20.1-08-4.7)
- *1 Pronghorn to ND Hunter Educators Assoc. raffle (NDCC 20.1-08-04.12)
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- *Limited number of "any deer" permits within boundaries of Camp Grafton to disabled Veterans

Issued 2014:

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1081

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Renumber accordingly

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