

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 2852 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84.154, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.4 Subdivision 1. **Conservation project.** The commissioner is hereby authorized, with
1.5 the approval of the Executive Council, and on such terms as may be deemed advantageous
1.6 to the state, to sell and convey to the United States the fee title, free from any mineral
1.7 reservation, of lands acquired by the state for the Lac qui Parle River water control project
1.8 upon which dams and appurtenant structures have been or may be constructed and such
1.9 rights-of-way as may be required by the United States to provide access thereto for the
1.10 purposes of construction, maintenance and operation, and to grant, sell and convey either
1.11 such fee title to, or flowage rights over, all lands acquired for the project on and above Lac
1.12 qui Parle Lake which lie below the 935.7 foot elevation on project datum, and to grant,
1.13 sell and convey flowage rights only over all lands so acquired on or above Marsh Lake
1.14 which lie below the 939.5 foot elevation on project datum and over all of such lands
1.15 on and above either of these lakes which lie above such elevations, and to lease to any
1.16 appropriate agency of the United States for conservation purposes, subject to such flowage
1.17 rights, any of such lands the ownership of which is retained by the state, or to enter into a
1.18 cooperative agreement with any such agency for the development and management of
1.19 any wild life or other conservation activity thereon; provided, that no such conveyance or
1.20 agreement shall waive any claim of the state for reimbursement from the United States
1.21 ~~under the Flood Control Act of June 28, 1938, and any amendments thereof.~~ Each such
1.22 lease for conservation purposes and each such cooperative agreement for the development
1.23 and management of wild life or other conservation activity on such lands shall contain
1.24 specific conditions reserving to the public during all open seasons for hunting wild
1.25 waterfowl at least 40 percent of the area of these lands suitable for hunting waterfowl as
1.26 public shooting grounds.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84.154, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 2. **Commissioner may complete Lac qui Parle and Big Stone Lake**
2.3 **projects.** ~~Inasmuch as the cessation of the work-relief program of the federal government~~
2.4 ~~and the entry of the United States into the present war prevented completion of certain~~
2.5 ~~contemplated features of the Lac qui Parle and Big Stone Lake water control projects~~
2.6 ~~heretofore undertaken by the Executive Council, in cooperation with federal agencies,~~
2.7 ~~and it is desirable that such projects be completed in order to secure effective control and~~
2.8 ~~utilization of the waters affected for the purposes of prevention and control of floods,~~
2.9 ~~water conservation, improvement of conditions for game and fish, and other authorized~~
2.10 ~~public uses;~~ The commissioner of natural resources is authorized to construct all works
2.11 and improvements pertaining or incidental to said projects which the commissioner deems
2.12 necessary for such purposes, and to maintain and operate the same so far as not transferred
2.13 to the United States pursuant to law.

2.14 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84.154, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

2.15 Subd. 3. **Powers of commissioner.** The commissioner of natural resources may
2.16 use for any project herein authorized any land of the state under the commissioner's
2.17 jurisdiction or control so far as is not inconsistent with the laws governing the same,
2.18 may acquire by purchase, gift, or condemnation any additional lands or interests in lands
2.19 required for such projects, including lands or interests in adjacent states if authorized by
2.20 the laws thereof, may accept gifts or grants of money or property from the United States or
2.21 any other source for such projects, may use and apply any money or property so received
2.22 in accordance with the terms of the gift or grant so far as is not inconsistent with the
2.23 provisions of this section or other laws, may act in behalf of the state as sponsor for any
2.24 such project undertaken or authorized by the United States, may make any sponsor's
2.25 contributions required for any such project ~~out of money appropriated by Laws 1943,~~
2.26 ~~chapter 476, or otherwise made available therefor,~~ and may cooperate with the United
2.27 States or any adjacent state or any authorized agency of either in constructing, maintaining
2.28 and operating any such project upon such terms and conditions as the commissioner may
2.29 deem proper not inconsistent with the laws of this state.

2.30 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84.777, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

2.31 Subd. 2. **Off-highway vehicle and snowmobile seasonal restrictions.** (a)
2.32 Except for designated forest roads, a person must not operate an off-highway vehicle or
2.33 snowmobile on state forest lands during the firearms deer hunting season in areas of the
2.34 state where deer may be taken by rifle. This paragraph does not apply to a person in

3.1 possession of a valid deer hunting license operating an off-highway vehicle or snowmobile
3.2 before or after legal shooting hours or from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

3.3 (b) The commissioner may designate and post winter trails on state forest lands
3.4 for use by off-highway vehicles.

3.5 (c) For the purposes of this subdivision, "state forest lands" means forest lands under
3.6 the authority of the commissioner as defined in section 89.001, subdivision 13, and lands
3.7 managed by the commissioner under section 282.011.

3.8 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84.87, is amended by adding a subdivision to
3.9 read:

3.10 Subd. 5. **Snowmobile operation during the firearms deer season.** Snowmobile
3.11 operation during the firearms deer hunting season is restricted as provided in section
3.12 84.777, subdivision 2, and rules adopted by the commissioner.

3.13 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84.944, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

3.14 Subd. 2. **Designation of acquired sites.** The critical natural habitat acquired in fee
3.15 title by the commissioner under this section shall be designated by the commissioner as:
3.16 (1) an outdoor recreation unit pursuant to section 86A.07, subdivision 3, or (2) as provided
3.17 in sections 89.018, subdivision 2, paragraph (a), 97A.101, 97A.125, and 97C.001, ~~and~~
3.18 ~~97C.011~~. The commissioner may so designate any critical natural habitat acquired in
3.19 less than fee title.

3.20 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84A.10, is amended to read:

3.21 **84A.10 EMINENT DOMAIN.**

3.22 The department has the power of eminent domain in chapter 117. The department
3.23 may acquire, by eminent domain or by purchase, lands or interests in lands in the preserve
3.24 that the department considers necessary for state ownership, use, or development for the
3.25 purposes of sections 84A.01 to ~~84A.11~~ 84A.101. ~~No money shall be used to acquire the~~
3.26 ~~lands or interests until the department determines that the money will not be required to~~
3.27 ~~meet the requisitions of the counties authorized under section 84A.04, or for payment of~~
3.28 ~~certificates of indebtedness and their interest.~~

3.29 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84A.50, is amended to read:

3.30 **84A.50 CERTAIN CERTIFICATES ACCEPTED AND VALIDATED.**

3.31 Certificates relating to bonds issued to finance or refinance public drainage ditches,
3.32 the principal and interest of the bonds, the amount of money collected from drainage

4.1 assessments and credited to ditches, and the amount of the deficit in the ditch fund made
4.2 by a county auditor under section ~~84A.04~~, 84A.23, or 84A.33 to the commissioner of
4.3 management and budget on which payment has been made by the state are accepted as
4.4 correct and are validated.

4.5 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.025, is amended to read:

4.6 **97A.025 OWNERSHIP OF WILD ANIMALS.**

4.7 The ownership of wild animals of the state is in the state, in its sovereign capacity
4.8 for the benefit of all the people of the state. A person may not acquire a property right in
4.9 wild animals, or destroy them, unless authorized under the game and fish laws, ~~sections~~
4.10 ~~84.091 to 84.15~~, or sections 17.47 to 17.498.

4.11 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.055, subdivision 4b, is amended to read:

4.12 Subd. 4b. **Citizen oversight committees.** (a) The commissioner shall appoint
4.13 committees of affected persons to review the reports prepared under subdivision 4; review
4.14 the proposed work plans and budgets for the coming year; propose changes in policies,
4.15 activities, and revenue enhancements or reductions; review other relevant information;
4.16 and make recommendations to the legislature and the commissioner for improvements in
4.17 the management and use of money in the game and fish fund.

4.18 (b) The commissioner shall appoint the following committees, each comprised
4.19 of at least ten affected persons:

4.20 (1) a Fisheries Oversight Committee to review fisheries funding and expenditures,
4.21 including activities related to trout and salmon stamps and walleye stamps; and

4.22 (2) a Wildlife Oversight Committee to review wildlife funding and expenditures,
4.23 including activities related to migratory waterfowl, pheasant, and wild turkey management
4.24 and deer and big game management.

4.25 (c) The chairs of the Fisheries Oversight Committee and the Wildlife Oversight
4.26 Committee, and four additional members from each committee, shall form a Budgetary
4.27 Oversight Committee to coordinate the integration of the fisheries and wildlife oversight
4.28 committee reports into an annual report to the legislature; recommend changes on a broad
4.29 level in policies, activities, and revenue enhancements or reductions; and provide a forum
4.30 to address issues that transcend the fisheries and wildlife oversight committees.

4.31 (d) The Budgetary Oversight Committee shall develop recommendations for a
4.32 biennial budget plan and report for expenditures on game and fish activities. By August 15
4.33 of each even-numbered year, the committee shall submit the budget plan recommendations

5.1 to the commissioner and to the senate and house of representatives committees with
5.2 jurisdiction over natural resources finance.

5.3 (e) The chairs of the Fisheries Oversight Committee and the Wildlife Oversight
5.4 Committee shall be chosen by their respective committees. The chair of the Budgetary
5.5 Oversight Committee shall be appointed by the commissioner and may not be the chair of
5.6 either of the other oversight committees.

5.7 (f) The Budgetary Oversight Committee may make recommendations to the
5.8 commissioner and to the senate and house of representatives committees with jurisdiction
5.9 over natural resources finance for outcome goals from expenditures.

5.10 (g) ~~Notwithstanding section 15.059, subdivision 5, or other law to the contrary,~~ The
5.11 committees authorized under this subdivision are not advisory councils or committees
5.12 governed by section 15.059 and are not subject to section 15.059. Committee members
5.13 appointed by the commissioner may request reimbursement for mileage expenses in
5.14 the same manner and amount as authorized by the commissioner's plan adopted under
5.15 section 43A.18, subdivision 2. Committee members must not receive daily compensation
5.16 for oversight activities. The Fisheries Oversight Committee, the Wildlife Oversight
5.17 Committee, and the Budgetary Oversight Committee ~~do not~~ expire ~~until~~ June 30, 2015.

5.18 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.131, is amended to read:

5.19 **97A.131 GAME FARMS AND HATCHERIES.**

5.20 The commissioner may acquire property by gift, lease, purchase, or condemnation
5.21 and may construct, maintain, operate, and alter facilities for ~~game farms and~~ hatcheries.

5.22 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.137, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

5.23 Subd. 3. **Use of motorized vehicles by disabled hunters.** The commissioner may
5.24 issue a special permit, without a fee, authorizing a hunter with a permanent physical
5.25 disability to use a snowmobile ~~or~~, highway-licensed vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, or motor
5.26 boat in wildlife management areas. To qualify for a permit under this subdivision, the
5.27 disabled person must possess:

5.28 (1) the required hunting licenses; and

5.29 (2) a permit to shoot from a stationary vehicle under section 97B.055, subdivision 3.

5.30 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.137, is amended by adding a
5.31 subdivision to read:

5.32 Subd. 6. **Crossing state lands.** (a) The commissioner may grant a permit to cross
5.33 state lands within wildlife management areas for temporary right-of-way access to federal,

6.1 county-managed, or privately owned lands for resource management purposes. A permit
6.2 for crossing state lands within wildlife management areas is revocable at any time subject
6.3 to conditions identified in the permit.

6.4 (b) The commissioner may grant a permit to a private landowner or leaseholder to
6.5 cross state lands within wildlife management areas by motorized vehicle for temporary
6.6 right-of-way access to a permit applicant's land, when it is the only reasonable access and
6.7 is consistent with the maintenance and management of wildlife lands.

6.8 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.311, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

6.9 Subd. 5. **Refunds.** (a) The commissioner may issue a refund on a license, not
6.10 including any issuing fees paid under section 97A.485, subdivision 6, if the request is
6.11 received within 90 days of the original license purchase and:

6.12 (1) the licensee dies before the opening of the licensed season. The original license
6.13 and a copy of the death certificate must be provided to the commissioner;

6.14 (2) the licensee is unable to participate in the licensed activity because the licensee is
6.15 called to active military duty or military leave is canceled during the entire open season of
6.16 the licensed activity. The original license and a copy of the military orders or notice of
6.17 cancellation of leave must be provided to the commissioner;

6.18 (3) the licensee purchased two licenses for the same license season in error; ~~or~~

6.19 (4) the licensee was not legally required to purchase the license to participate in
6.20 the activity; or

6.21 (5) evidence is provided to the commissioner that demonstrates the license was
6.22 issued incorrectly by the department or license agent.

6.23 (b) This subdivision does not apply to lifetime licenses.

6.24 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.311, is amended by adding a
6.25 subdivision to read:

6.26 Subd. 6. **License corrections.** The commissioner may correct a license or license
6.27 type and refund the difference or charge the difference of the corrected license fee if:

6.28 (1) the licensee provides evidence that the license was issued incorrectly by the
6.29 department or license agent;

6.30 (2) the request is made within 30 days of the original license purchase;

6.31 (3) the season or license activities for the original license have not yet started at the
6.32 time of the request; and

6.33 (4) the licensee is entitled to the corrected license.

7.1 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.434, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

7.2 Subdivision 1. **Number of licenses to be issued.** If the commissioner establishes
7.3 an open season for prairie chickens ~~under section 97B.711~~, the commissioner shall also
7.4 determine, by rule, the number of licenses to be issued.

7.5 Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.441, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

7.6 Subdivision 1. **Angling and spearing; disabled residents.** (a) A person authorized
7.7 to issue licenses must issue, without a fee, licenses to take fish by angling or spearing shall
7.8 be issued without a fee to a resident who is:

7.9 (1) blind;

7.10 (2) a recipient of supplemental security income for the aged, blind, and disabled;

7.11 (3) a recipient of Social Security aid to the disabled under United States Code, title
7.12 42, section 416, paragraph (i)(l) or section 423(d);

7.13 (4) a recipient of workers' compensation based on a finding of total and permanent
7.14 disability; or

7.15 (5) 65 years of age or older and was qualified under clause (2) or (3) at the age of 64.

7.16 (b) A driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the applicable
7.17 designation under section 171.07, subdivision 17, serves as satisfactory evidence to obtain
7.18 a license under this subdivision at all agent locations.

7.19 Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.441, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

7.20 Subd. 5. **Angling; disabled veterans.** (a) A person authorized to issue licenses
7.21 must issue, without a fee, a permanent license to take fish by angling to a resident who
7.22 is a veteran, as defined in section 197.447, and that has a 100 percent service connected
7.23 disability as defined by the United States Veterans Administration upon being furnished
7.24 satisfactory evidence.

7.25 (b) A driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the designation under
7.26 section 171.07, subdivision 15, paragraph (a), clause (2), serves as satisfactory evidence to
7.27 obtain a license under this subdivision at all agent locations.

7.28 Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 97A.441, subdivision 6, is
7.29 amended to read:

7.30 Subd. 6. **Taking deer; disabled veterans.** (a) A person authorized to issue
7.31 licenses must issue, without a fee, a license to take deer with firearms or by archery to a
7.32 resident that is a veteran, as defined in section 197.447, and that has a 100 percent service

8.1 connected disability as defined by the United States Veterans Administration upon being
8.2 furnished satisfactory evidence.

8.3 (b) The commissioner, upon request, must issue a permanent card documenting
8.4 satisfactory evidence of 100 percent permanently disabled status.

8.5 (c) ~~The card serves~~ following serve as satisfactory evidence to obtain a license
8.6 under this subdivision at all agent locations:

8.7 (1) a card issued under paragraph (b); or

8.8 (2) a driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the designation under
8.9 section 171.07, subdivision 15, paragraph (a), clause (2).

8.10 Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 97A.441, subdivision 6a,
8.11 is amended to read:

8.12 Subd. 6a. **Taking small game; disabled veterans.** (a) A person authorized to
8.13 issue licenses must issue, without a fee, a license to take small game to a resident who is
8.14 a veteran, as defined in section 197.447, and who has a 100 percent service connected
8.15 disability as defined by the United States Veterans Administration upon being furnished
8.16 satisfactory evidence.

8.17 (b) The commissioner, upon request, must issue a permanent card documenting
8.18 satisfactory evidence of 100 percent permanently disabled status.

8.19 (c) ~~The card serves~~ following serve as satisfactory evidence to obtain a license
8.20 under this subdivision at all agent locations:

8.21 (1) a card issued under paragraph (b); and

8.22 (2) a driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the designation under
8.23 section 171.07, subdivision 15, paragraph (a), clause (2).

8.24 Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.473, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

8.25 Subd. 2a. **Lifetime spearing license; fee.** (a) A resident lifetime spearing license
8.26 authorizes a person to take fish by spearing in the state. The license authorizes those
8.27 activities authorized by the annual resident spearing license.

8.28 (b) The fees for a resident lifetime spearing license are:

8.29 (1) age 3 and under, ~~\$258~~ \$77;

8.30 (2) age 4 to age 15, ~~\$320~~ \$106;

8.31 (3) age 16 to age 50, ~~\$372~~ \$100; and

8.32 (4) age 51 and over, ~~\$173~~ \$52.

8.33 Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.473, subdivision 2b, is amended to read:

9.1 Subd. 2b. **Lifetime angling and spearing license; fee.** (a) A resident lifetime
9.2 angling and spearing license authorizes a person to take fish by angling or spearing in the
9.3 state. The license authorizes those activities authorized by the annual resident angling
9.4 and spearing licenses.

9.5 (b) The fees for a resident lifetime angling and spearing license are:

- 9.6 (1) age 3 and under, \$380;
9.7 (2) age 4 to age 15, \$509;
9.8 (3) age 16 to age 50, ~~\$617~~ \$596; and
9.9 (4) age 51 and over, \$386.

9.10 Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.473, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

9.11 Subd. 5. **Lifetime sporting license; fee.** (a) A resident lifetime sporting license
9.12 authorizes a person to take fish by angling and hunt and trap small game, other than
9.13 wolves, in the state. The license authorizes those activities authorized by the annual
9.14 resident angling and resident small game hunting licenses and the resident trapping license
9.15 for fur-bearing animals other than wolves. The license does not include a trout and salmon
9.16 stamp validation, a turkey stamp validation, a walleye stamp validation, or any other
9.17 hunting stamps required by law.

9.18 (b) The fees for a resident lifetime sporting license are:

- 9.19 (1) age 3 and under, ~~\$528~~ \$485;
9.20 (2) age 4 to age 15, ~~\$728~~ \$659;
9.21 (3) age 16 to age 50, \$861; and
9.22 (4) age 51 and over, ~~\$602~~ \$560.

9.23 Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.473, subdivision 5a, is amended to read:

9.24 Subd. 5a. **Lifetime sporting with spearing option license; fee.** (a) A resident
9.25 lifetime sporting with spearing option license authorizes a person to take fish by angling
9.26 or spearing and hunt and trap small game, other than wolves, in the state. The license
9.27 authorizes those activities authorized by the annual resident angling, spearing, and resident
9.28 small game hunting licenses and the resident trapping license for fur-bearing animals other
9.29 than wolves. The license does not include a trout and salmon stamp validation, a turkey
9.30 stamp validation, a walleye stamp validation, or any other hunting stamps required by law.

9.31 (b) The fees for a resident lifetime sporting with spearing option license are:

- 9.32 (1) age 3 and under, ~~\$615~~ \$562;
9.33 (2) age 4 to age 15, ~~\$800~~ \$765;
9.34 (3) age 16 to age 50, ~~\$985~~ \$961; and

10.1 (4) age 51 and over, ~~\$586~~ \$612.

10.2 Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 97A.475, subdivision 2, is
10.3 amended to read:

10.4 Subd. 2. **Resident hunting.** Fees for the following licenses, to be issued to residents
10.5 only, are:

10.6 (1) for persons age 18 or over and under age 65 to take small game, \$15.50;

10.7 (2) for persons age 65 or over, \$7 to take small game;

10.8 (3) for persons age 18 or over to take turkey, \$26;

10.9 (4) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take turkey, \$5;

10.10 (5) for persons age 18 or over to take deer with firearms during the regular firearms
10.11 season, \$30;

10.12 (6) for persons age 18 or over to take deer by archery, \$30;

10.13 (7) for persons age 18 or over to take deer by muzzleloader during the muzzleloader
10.14 season, \$30;

10.15 (8) to take moose, for a party of not more than six persons, \$356;

10.16 (9) for persons age 18 or over to take bear, \$44;

10.17 (10) to take elk, for a party of not more than two persons, \$287;

10.18 (11) to take Canada geese during a special season, \$4;

10.19 (12) to take prairie chickens, \$23;

10.20 (13) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer with firearms during
10.21 the regular firearms season, \$5;

10.22 (14) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer by archery, \$5;

10.23 (15) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer by muzzleloader
10.24 during the muzzleloader season, \$5;

10.25 (16) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take bear, no fee;

10.26 (17) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take bear, \$5;

10.27 ~~(16)~~ (18) for persons age 18 or over to take small game for a consecutive 72-hour
10.28 period selected by the licensee, \$19, of which an amount equal to: one-half of the fee for
10.29 the migratory waterfowl stamp under subdivision 5, clause (1), shall be deposited in the
10.30 waterfowl habitat improvement account under section 97A.075, subdivision 2; one-half
10.31 of the fee for the pheasant stamp under subdivision 5, clause (2), shall be deposited in
10.32 the pheasant habitat improvement account under section 97A.075, subdivision 4; and
10.33 one-half of the small game surcharge under subdivision 4, shall be deposited in the
10.34 wildlife acquisition account;

10.35 ~~(17)~~ (19) for persons age 16 or over and under age 18 to take small game, \$5;

- 11.1 ~~(18)~~ (20) to take wolf, \$30;
- 11.2 ~~(19)~~ (21) for persons age 12 and under to take turkey, no fee;
- 11.3 ~~(20)~~ (22) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take deer by firearm, no fee;
- 11.4 ~~(21)~~ (23) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take deer by archery, no fee; and
- 11.5 ~~(22)~~ (24) for persons age 10, 11, or 12 to take deer by muzzleloader during the
- 11.6 muzzleloader season, no fee.

11.7 Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 97A.475, subdivision 3, is

11.8 amended to read:

11.9 Subd. 3. **Nonresident hunting.** (a) Fees for the following licenses, to be issued

11.10 to nonresidents, are:

11.11 (1) for persons age 18 or over to take small game, \$90.50;

11.12 (2) for persons age 18 or over to take deer with firearms during the regular firearms

11.13 season, \$160;

11.14 (3) for persons age 18 or over to take deer by archery, \$160;

11.15 (4) for persons age 18 or over to take deer by muzzleloader during the muzzleloader

11.16 season, \$160;

11.17 (5) for persons age 18 or over to take bear, \$225;

11.18 (6) for persons age 18 or over to take turkey, \$91;

11.19 (7) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take turkey, \$5;

11.20 (8) to take raccoon or bobcat, \$178;

11.21 (9) to take Canada geese during a special season, \$4;

11.22 (10) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer with firearms during

11.23 the regular firearms season in any open season option or time period, \$5;

11.24 (11) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer by archery, \$5;

11.25 (12) for persons age 13 or over and under age 18 to take deer during the muzzleloader

11.26 season, \$5;

11.27 (13) for persons age 13 or over and under 18 to take bear, \$5;

11.28 (14) for persons age 18 or over to take small game for a consecutive 72-hour period

11.29 selected by the licensee, \$75, of which an amount equal to: one-half of the fee for the

11.30 migratory waterfowl stamp under subdivision 5, clause (1), shall be deposited in the

11.31 waterfowl habitat improvement account under section 97A.075, subdivision 2; one-half

11.32 of the fee for the pheasant stamp under subdivision 5, clause (2), shall be deposited in

11.33 the pheasant habitat improvement account under section 97A.075, subdivision 4; and

11.34 one-half of the small game surcharge under subdivision 4, shall be deposited into the

11.35 wildlife acquisition account;

- 12.1 ~~(14)~~ (15) for persons age 16 or 17 to take small game, \$5;
- 12.2 ~~(15)~~ (16) to take wolf, \$250;
- 12.3 ~~(16)~~ (17) for persons age 12 and under to take turkey, no fee;
- 12.4 ~~(17)~~ (18) for persons age ten, 11, or 12 to take deer by firearm, no fee;
- 12.5 ~~(18)~~ (19) for persons age ten, 11, or 12 to take deer by archery, no fee; ~~and~~
- 12.6 ~~(19)~~ (20) for persons age ten, 11, or 12 to take deer by muzzleloader during the
- 12.7 muzzleloader season, no fee; and
- 12.8 (21) for person age 10, 11, or 12 to take bear, no fee.

12.9 (b) A \$5 surcharge shall be added to nonresident hunting licenses issued under

12.10 paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (6) and (8). An additional commission may not be assessed

12.11 on this surcharge.

12.12 Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2013 Supplement, section 97A.485, subdivision 6, is

12.13 amended to read:

12.14 Subd. 6. **Licenses to be sold and issuing fees.** (a) Persons authorized to sell

12.15 licenses under this section must issue the following licenses for the license fee and the

12.16 following issuing fees:

- 12.17 (1) to take deer or bear with firearms and by archery, the issuing fee is \$1;
- 12.18 (2) Minnesota sporting, the issuing fee is \$1;
- 12.19 (3) to take small game, to take fish by angling or by spearing, and to trap fur-bearing
- 12.20 animals, the issuing fee is \$1;
- 12.21 (4) to apply for a limited hunt drawing, the issuing fee is \$1 unless the application
- 12.22 requires a license purchase at the time of application and the license purchase requires
- 12.23 an application fee;
- 12.24 (5) for a prairie chicken license, the issuing fee is \$1;
- 12.25 (6) for a turkey license, the issuing fee is \$1;
- 12.26 (7) for an elk license, the issuing fee is \$1;
- 12.27 (8) for a moose license, the issuing fee is \$1;
- 12.28 (9) for a wolf license, the issuing fee is \$1;
- 12.29 (10) for a stamp validation that is not issued simultaneously with a license, an
- 12.30 issuing fee of 50 cents may be charged at the discretion of the authorized seller;
- 12.31 (11) for stamp validations issued simultaneously with a license, there is no fee;
- 12.32 (12) for licenses, seals, tags, or coupons issued without a fee under section 97A.441,₂
- 12.33 subdivisions 1 to 6a, or 97A.465, the issuing there is no fee is \$1;
- 12.34 (13) for lifetime licenses, there is no fee; and

13.1 (14) for all other licenses, permits, renewals, or applications or any other transaction
 13.2 through the electronic licensing system under this chapter or any other chapter when
 13.3 an issuing fee is not specified, an issuing fee of \$1 may be charged at the discretion of
 13.4 the authorized seller.

13.5 (b) Only one issuing fee may be collected when selling more than one stamp in the
 13.6 same transaction after the end of the season for which the stamp was issued.

13.7 (c) The agent shall keep the issuing fee as a commission for selling the licenses.

13.8 (d) The commissioner shall collect the issuing fee on licenses sold by the
 13.9 commissioner.

13.10 (e) A license, except stamps, must state the amount of the issuing fee and that the
 13.11 issuing fee is kept by the seller as a commission for selling the licenses.

13.12 (f) For duplicate licenses, including licenses issued without a fee, the issuing fees are:

13.13 (1) for licenses to take big game, 75 cents; and

13.14 (2) for other licenses, 50 cents.

13.15 (g) The commissioner may issue one-day angling licenses in books of ten licenses
 13.16 each to fishing guides operating charter boats upon receipt of payment of all license
 13.17 fees, excluding the issuing fee required under this section. Copies of sold and unsold
 13.18 licenses shall be returned to the commissioner. The commissioner shall refund the charter
 13.19 boat captain for the license fees of all unsold licenses. Copies of sold licenses shall be
 13.20 maintained by the commissioner for one year.

13.21 Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97A.502, is amended to read:

13.22 **97A.502 DEER KILLED BY MOTOR VEHICLES.**

13.23 (a) Deer killed by a motor vehicle on a public road must be removed by the road
 13.24 authority, as defined by section 160.02, subdivision 25, unless the driver of the motor
 13.25 vehicle is allowed to possess the deer under paragraph (b). ~~The commissioner of natural
 13.26 resources must provide to all road authorities standard forms for statistical purposes and
 13.27 the tracking of wild animals.~~

13.28 (b) The driver of a motor vehicle that has collided with and killed a deer on a public
 13.29 road has priority for a possession permit for the entire deer if the facts indicate that the
 13.30 deer was not taken illegally.

13.31 Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.031, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

13.32 Subd. 5. **Scopes; visually impaired hunters.** (a) Notwithstanding any other law
 13.33 to the contrary, the commissioner may issue a special permit, without a fee, to use a
 13.34 muzzleloader with a scope to take deer during the muzzleloader season to a person who

14.1 obtains the required licenses and who ~~has~~ provides satisfactory evidence of a visual
14.2 impairment. The scope may not have magnification capabilities.

14.3 (b) The visual impairment must be to the extent that the applicant is unable to
14.4 identify targets and the rifle sights at the same time without a scope.

14.5 (c) The following serve as satisfactory evidence to obtain a special permit under
14.6 this subdivision:

14.7 (1) a driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the applicable
14.8 designation under section 171.07, subdivision 17; or

14.9 ~~The visual impairment and specific conditions must be established by~~ (2) medical
14.10 evidence that establishes the visual impairment and specific conditions, indicates whether
14.11 the visual impairment is permanent, and is verified in writing by (1) (i) a licensed
14.12 physician or a certified nurse practitioner or certified physician assistant acting under the
14.13 direction of a licensed physician; (2) (ii) a licensed ophthalmologist; or (3) (iii) a licensed
14.14 optometrist. The commissioner may request additional information from the physician if
14.15 needed to verify the applicant's eligibility for the permit.

14.16 (e) (d) A permit issued under this subdivision may be valid for up to five years, based
14.17 on the permanence of the visual impairment as determined by the licensed physician,
14.18 ophthalmologist, or optometrist.

14.19 (d) (e) The permit must be in the immediate possession of the permittee when
14.20 hunting under the special permit.

14.21 (e) (f) The commissioner may deny, modify, suspend, or revoke a permit issued
14.22 under this subdivision for cause, including a violation of the game and fish laws or rules.

14.23 (f) (g) A person who knowingly makes a false application or assists another in
14.24 making a false application for a permit under this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor.
14.25 A physician, certified nurse practitioner, certified physician assistant, ophthalmologist,
14.26 or optometrist who fraudulently certifies to the commissioner that a person is visually
14.27 impaired as described in this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor.

14.28 (h) A permit is not required under this subdivision to use an electronic range finder
14.29 according to section 97B.081, subdivision 3, paragraph (c).

14.30 Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.055, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

14.31 Subd. 3. **Hunting from vehicle by disabled hunters.** (a) The commissioner may
14.32 issue a special permit, without a fee, to discharge a firearm or bow and arrow from a
14.33 stationary motor vehicle to a person who obtains the required licenses and who ~~has~~
14.34 provides satisfactory evidence of a permanent physical disability that is more substantial
14.35 than discomfort from walking. The permit recipient must be:

15.1 (1) unable to step from a vehicle without aid of a wheelchair, crutches, braces, or
15.2 other mechanical support or prosthetic device; or

15.3 (2) unable to walk any distance because of a permanent lung, heart, or other internal
15.4 disease that requires the person to use supplemental oxygen to assist breathing.

15.5 (b) The following serve as satisfactory evidence to obtain a special permit under
15.6 this subdivision:

15.7 (1) a driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the applicable
15.8 designation under section 171.07, subdivision 17; or

15.9 ~~(b) The permanent physical disability must be established by~~ (2) medical evidence
15.10 that establishes the permanent physical disability, and is verified in writing by a licensed
15.11 physician, chiropractor, or certified nurse practitioner or certified physician assistant acting
15.12 under the direction of a licensed physician. The commissioner may request additional
15.13 information from the physician or chiropractor if needed to verify the applicant's eligibility
15.14 for the permit. Notwithstanding section 97A.418, the commissioner may, in consultation
15.15 with appropriate advocacy groups, establish reasonable minimum standards for permits
15.16 to be issued under this section.

15.17 (c) In addition to providing ~~the medical~~ evidence of a permanent disability under
15.18 paragraph (b), the applicant must possess a valid disability parking certificate authorized
15.19 by section 169.345 or license plates issued under section 168.021.

15.20 ~~(e)~~ (d) A person issued a special permit under this subdivision and hunting deer may
15.21 take a deer of either sex, except in those antlerless permit areas and seasons where no
15.22 antlerless permits are offered. This subdivision does not authorize another member of a
15.23 party to take an antlerless deer under section 97B.301, subdivision 3.

15.24 ~~(d)~~ (e) A permit issued under this subdivision is valid for five years.

15.25 ~~(e)~~ (f) The commissioner may deny, modify, suspend, or revoke a permit issued
15.26 under this section for cause, including a violation of the game and fish laws or rules.

15.27 ~~(f)~~ (g) A person who knowingly makes a false application or assists another in
15.28 making a false application for a permit under this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.
15.29 A physician, certified nurse practitioner, certified physician assistant, or chiropractor
15.30 who fraudulently certifies to the commissioner that a person is permanently disabled as
15.31 described in this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

15.32 ~~(g)~~ (h) Notwithstanding paragraph ~~(d)~~ (e), the commissioner may issue a permit
15.33 valid for the entire life of the applicant if the commissioner determines that there is no
15.34 chance that an applicant will become ineligible for a permit under this section and the
15.35 applicant requests a lifetime permit.

16.1 Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.081, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

16.2 Subd. 3. **Exceptions.** (a) It is not a violation of this section for a person to:

16.3 (1) cast the rays of a spotlight, headlight, or other artificial light to take raccoons
16.4 according to section 97B.621, subdivision 3, or tend traps according to section 97B.931;

16.5 (2) hunt fox or coyote from January 1 to March 15 while using a handheld artificial
16.6 light, provided that the person is:

16.7 (i) on foot;

16.8 (ii) using a shotgun;

16.9 (iii) not within a public road right-of-way;

16.10 (iv) using a handheld or electronic calling device; and

16.11 (v) not within 200 feet of a motor vehicle; or

16.12 (3) cast the rays of a handheld artificial light to retrieve wounded or dead big game
16.13 animals, provided that the person is:

16.14 (i) on foot; and

16.15 (ii) not in possession of a firearm or bow.

16.16 (b) It is not a violation of subdivision 2 for a person to cast the rays of a spotlight,
16.17 headlight, or other artificial light to:

16.18 (1) carry out any agricultural, safety, emergency response, normal vehicle operation,
16.19 or occupation-related activities that do not involve taking wild animals; or

16.20 (2) carry out outdoor recreation as defined in section 97B.001 that is not related to
16.21 spotting, locating, or taking a wild animal.

16.22 (c) Except as otherwise provided by the game and fish laws, it is not a violation of
16.23 this section for a person to use an electronic range finder device from one-half hour before
16.24 sunrise until sunset while lawfully hunting wild animals.

16.25 Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.086, is amended to read:

16.26 **97B.086 POSSESSION OF NIGHT VISION OR THERMAL IMAGING**
16.27 **EQUIPMENT.**

16.28 (a) A person may not possess night vision or thermal imaging equipment while
16.29 taking wild animals or while having in possession, either individually or as one of a group
16.30 of persons, a firearm, bow, or other implement that could be used to take wild animals.

16.31 (b) This section does not apply to a firearm that is:

16.32 (1) unloaded;

16.33 (2) in a gun case expressly made to contain a firearm that fully encloses the firearm
16.34 by being zipped, snapped, buckled, tied, or otherwise fastened without any portion of
16.35 the firearm exposed; and

17.1 (3) in the closed trunk of a motor vehicle.

17.2 (c) This section does not apply to a bow that is:

17.3 (1) completely encased or unstrung; and

17.4 (2) in the closed trunk of a motor vehicle.

17.5 (d) If the motor vehicle under paragraph (b) or (c) does not have a trunk, the firearm
17.6 or bow must be placed in the rearmost location of the vehicle.

17.7 (e) This section does not apply to night vision or thermal imaging equipment
17.8 possessed by peace officers or military personnel while exercising their duties.

17.9 Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.095, is amended to read:

17.10 **97B.095 DISTURBING AND TAKING FROM BURROWS AND DENS.**

17.11 Subdivision 1. **Disturbing burrows or dens.** A person may not disturb the burrow
17.12 or den of a wild animal between November 1 and April 1 without a permit.

17.13 Subd. 2. **Fox dens.** A person may not remove a fox from a den or trap fox within
17.14 300 feet of a fox den from April 1 to August 31.

17.15 Subd. 3. **Raccoon dens.** A person may not take a raccoon in a den or hollow tree.

17.16 Sec. 34. **[97B.099] PROHIBITED HUNTING METHODS.**

17.17 Subdivision 1. **Open fire or smoke.** A person may not take a protected wild animal
17.18 with the aid of an open fire or smoke.

17.19 Subd. 2. **Cutting trees.** A person may not take a protected wild animal by cutting
17.20 down a tree occupied by a protected wild animal.

17.21 Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.106, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

17.22 Subdivision 1. **Qualifications for crossbow permits.** (a) The commissioner may
17.23 issue a special permit, without a fee, to take big game, small game, or rough fish with a
17.24 crossbow to a person ~~that is~~ who provides satisfactory evidence of being unable to hunt or
17.25 take rough fish by archery because of a permanent or temporary physical disability. A
17.26 crossbow permit issued under this section also allows the permittee to use a bow with a
17.27 mechanical device that draws, releases, or holds the bow at full draw as provided in
17.28 section 97B.035, subdivision 1, paragraph (a).

17.29 (b) To qualify for a crossbow permit under this section, a temporary disability must
17.30 render the person unable to hunt or fish by archery for a minimum of two years after
17.31 application for the permit is made.

17.32 (c) The following serve as satisfactory evidence to obtain a special permit under
17.33 this subdivision:

18.1 (1) a driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the applicable
18.2 designation under section 171.07, subdivision 17; or

18.3 ~~The permanent or temporary disability must be established by~~(2) medical evidence,
18.4 and that establishes the inability to hunt or fish by archery for the required period of time
18.5 ~~must be,~~ indicates whether the disability is permanent, and is verified in writing by (1) (i)
18.6 a licensed physician or a certified nurse practitioner or certified physician assistant acting
18.7 under the direction of a licensed physician; or (2) (ii) a licensed chiropractor.

18.8 (d) A person who has received a special permit under this section because of a
18.9 permanent disability is eligible for subsequent special permits without providing medical
18.10 evidence and verification of the disability.

18.11 (e) (e) The person must obtain the appropriate license.

18.12 Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.111, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

18.13 Subdivision 1. **Establishment; requirements.** (a) The commissioner may establish
18.14 criteria, special seasons, and limits for persons who have a physical disability to take big
18.15 game and small game with firearms and by archery in designated areas. A person hunting
18.16 under this section who has a physical disability must:

18.17 (1) have (i) a verified statement of the disability by a licensed physician; or (ii) a
18.18 driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing the applicable designation under
18.19 section 171.07, subdivision 17; and must

18.20 (2) be participating in a program for physically disabled hunters sponsored by a
18.21 nonprofit organization that is permitted under subdivision 2.

18.22 (b) Notwithstanding section 97B.055, subdivision 3, the commissioner may
18.23 authorize hunt participants to shoot from a stationary motor vehicle. A license is not
18.24 required for a person to assist a physically disabled person hunting during a special season
18.25 under this section.

18.26 Sec. 37. **[97B.329] DEER CONTEST IN CONJUNCTION WITH RAFFLE.**

18.27 An organization that is licensed by the Gambling Control Board to conduct raffles
18.28 may conduct a raffle in conjunction with a contest for deer that are legally taken and
18.29 tagged under the game and fish laws and rules adopted thereunder. The organization may
18.30 sell a combined ticket for a single price for the deer contest and raffle, provided that the
18.31 combined ticket states in at least eight-point type the amount of the price that applies to
18.32 the deer contest and the amount that applies to the raffle. All other provisions of sections
18.33 349.11 to 349.23 apply to the raffle.

19.1 Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.516, is amended to read:

19.2 **97B.516 ELK MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

19.3 The commissioner of natural resources must adopt an elk management plan that:

19.4 (1) recognizes the value and uniqueness of elk;

19.5 (2) provides for integrated management of an elk population in harmony with the
19.6 environment; and

19.7 (3) affords optimum recreational opportunities; and

19.8 (4) ~~restricts elk to nonagricultural land in the state.~~

19.9 Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.605, is amended to read:

19.10 **97B.605 COMMISSIONER MAY RESTRICT TAKING OF CERTAIN**
19.11 **SMALL GAME ANIMALS.**

19.12 The commissioner may by rule set open seasons for, prescribe limits and restrictions
19.13 on, and designate areas where ~~gray and fox squirrels, cottontail and jack rabbits, snowshoe~~
19.14 ~~hare, raccoon, bobcat, red fox and gray fox, fisher, pine marten, opossum, wolves, and~~
19.15 ~~badger~~ small game as defined in section 97A.015 may be taken and possessed.

19.16 Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.655, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

19.17 Subdivision 1. **Owners and occupants may take certain animals.** A person may
19.18 take mink, squirrel, rabbit, hare, raccoon, bobcat, fox, opossum, muskrat, or beaver on
19.19 land owned or occupied by the person where the animal is causing damage. The person
19.20 may take the animal without a license and in any manner except by poison, or artificial
19.21 lights in the closed season. Raccoons may be taken under this subdivision with artificial
19.22 lights during open season. A person that kills mink, raccoon, bobcat, fox, opossum,
19.23 muskrat, or beaver under this subdivision must notify a conservation officer or employee
19.24 of the Fish and Wildlife Division within 24 hours after the animal is killed.

19.25 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.667, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

19.26 Subd. 3. **Permits and notice; requirements.** (a) Before killing or arranging to kill
19.27 a beaver under this section, the road authority or local government unit must contact a
19.28 conservation officer for a special beaver permit. The conservation officer must issue the
19.29 permit for any beaver subject to this section.

19.30 (b) A road authority or local government unit that kills or arranges to have killed a
19.31 beaver under this section must notify a conservation officer or employee of the Fish and
19.32 Wildlife Division within ten days after the animal is killed.

20.1 Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.667, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

20.2 Subd. 4. **Local beaver control programs.** A road authority or local government
20.3 unit may, after consultation with the Fish and Wildlife Division, implement a local beaver
20.4 control program designed to reduce the number of incidents of beaver:

20.5 (1) interfering with or damaging a public road; or

20.6 (2) causing damage, including damage to silvicultural projects and drainage ditches,
20.7 on property owned or managed by the local government unit.

20.8 The local control program may include the offering of a bounty for the lawful taking
20.9 of beaver.

20.10 Sec. 43. **[97B.668] CANADA GEESE CAUSING DAMAGE.**

20.11 Notwithstanding sections 97B.091 and 97B.805, subdivisions 1 and 2, a person or
20.12 agent of that person on lands and nonpublic waters owned or operated by the person may
20.13 nonlethally scare, haze, chase, or harass Canada geese that are causing property damage
20.14 from March 11 to August 31. This section does not apply to public waters as defined
20.15 under section 103G.005, subdivision 15, or geese on nests unless a permit is obtained
20.16 under section 97A.401.

20.17 Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.731, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

20.18 Subdivision 1. **Migratory game birds.** (a) Migratory game birds may be taken and
20.19 possessed. A person may not take, buy, sell, possess, transport, or ship migratory game
20.20 birds in violation of federal law.

20.21 (b) The commissioner shall prescribe seasons ~~and~~, limits, and areas for migratory
20.22 birds in accordance with federal law.

20.23 Sec. 45. **[97C.502] MINNOWS AND LEECHES; INVASIVE SPECIES**

20.24 **TRAINING REQUIRED.**

20.25 Subdivision 1. **Minnows; invasive species training required.** A minnow dealer,
20.26 and each person working under the minnow dealer's license, must annually satisfactorily
20.27 complete aquatic invasive species-related training provided by the commissioner before
20.28 taking, selling, or transporting minnows within the state.

20.29 Subd. 2. **Training certification required.** Minnow dealers, and each person
20.30 working under the minnow dealer's license, must have a valid invasive species training
20.31 certification in possession while taking, selling, or transporting minnows within the state.
20.32 A person who only sells minnows for the licensed minnow dealer at a retail location is not
20.33 required to have a training certification.

21.1 Subd. 3. **Leeches; invasive species training required.** A resident under age 18
21.2 must annually satisfactorily complete aquatic invasive species-related training provided
21.3 by the commissioner before taking, selling, or transporting leeches within the state.
21.4 A resident under age 18 must have a valid invasive species training certification in
21.5 possession while taking, selling, or transporting leeches within the state.

21.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective March 1, 2015.

21.7 Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97C.821, is amended to read:

21.8 **97C.821 POSSESSION, SALE, AND TRANSPORTATION OF**
21.9 **COMMERCIAL FISH.**

21.10 Subdivision 1. **Transporting and holding commercial fish.** Subject to the
21.11 applicable provisions of the game and fish laws, fish taken under commercial fishing
21.12 licenses may be possessed in any quantity, bought, sold, and transported at any time.
21.13 Commercial fishing licensees may transport their catch live to holding facilities, if the
21.14 licensee has exclusive control of the facilities. Licensees must annually provide the legal
21.15 description and verification of exclusive control on forms provided by the commissioner
21.16 with the license application. Commercial fishing licensees may harvest fish from their
21.17 holding facilities at any time with their licensed gear. The commissioner may prohibit the
21.18 transport of live fish taken under a commercial fishing license from waters that contain
21.19 nonnative species, are designated as infested waters, or are infected with any certifiable
21.20 disease.

21.21 Subd. 2. **Invasive species permit certification.** (a) A commercial fishing licensee,
21.22 and each apprentice working under the licensee's commercial fishing license, must
21.23 annually complete invasive species training provided by the commissioner and pass an
21.24 examination to qualify to take, sell, or transport commercial fish within the state.

21.25 (b) A commercial fishing licensee, and each apprentice working under the licensee's
21.26 commercial fishing license, must have a valid invasive species training certification in
21.27 possession while taking, selling, or transporting commercial fish within the state.

21.28 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective March 1, 2015.

21.29 Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 171.07, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

21.30 Subd. 15. **Veteran designation.** (a) At the request of the ~~an~~ eligible applicant and on
21.31 payment of the required fee, the department shall issue, renew, or reissue to the applicant a
21.32 driver's license or Minnesota identification card bearing ~~the~~ a designation of (1) "Veteran"
21.33 ~~to an applicant who is a veteran, as defined in section 197.447, or (2) "Veteran 100% T&P".~~

22.1 (b) At the time of the initial application for the designation provided under this
22.2 subdivision, the applicant must:

22.3 (1) be a veteran, as defined in section 197.447;

22.4 (2) have a certified copy of the veteran's discharge papers; and

22.5 (3) if the applicant is seeking the disability designation under paragraph (a), clause
22.6 (2), provide satisfactory evidence of a 100 percent total and permanent service-connected
22.7 disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

22.8 (c) The commissioner of public safety is required to issue drivers' licenses and
22.9 Minnesota identification cards with the veteran designation only after entering a new
22.10 contract or in coordination with producing a new card design with modifications made
22.11 as required by law.

22.12 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment,
22.13 and applies to applications submitted on or after January 1, 2016.

22.14 Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 171.07, is amended by adding a subdivision
22.15 to read:

22.16 Subd. 17. **Disability designations.** (a) At the request of an applicant with
22.17 permanent eligibility for a disability designation and on payment of the required fee, the
22.18 department shall issue, renew, or reissue to the applicant a driver's license or Minnesota
22.19 identification card bearing a physical disability designation that consists of "Disability"
22.20 and an indication of one or more the following types:

22.21 (1) type 1, to an applicant who permanently meets the requirements for a free license
22.22 to take fish under section 97A.441, subdivision 1, paragraph (a);

22.23 (2) type 2, to an applicant who meets the requirements for medical evidence under
22.24 section 97B.031, subdivision 5, paragraph (c), clause (2), and has a permanent visual
22.25 impairment;

22.26 (3) type 3, to an applicant who meets the requirements for medical evidence under
22.27 section 97B.055, subdivision 3, paragraph (b), clause (2);

22.28 (4) type 4, to an applicant who meets the requirements for medical evidence under
22.29 section 97B.106, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), clause (2), and has a permanent disability; or

22.30 (5) type 5, to an applicant who permanently meets the requirements for disability
22.31 under section 97B.111, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (1), item (i).

22.32 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment, and
22.33 applies to applications submitted on or after January 1, 2016, or the date the new driver and
22.34 vehicle services information technology system is implemented, whichever comes later.

23.1 Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 171.07, is amended by adding a subdivision
23.2 to read:

23.3 Subd. 18. **Multiple designations.** An eligible applicant may obtain a driver's license
23.4 or Minnesota identification card bearing one or more of the applicable designations under
23.5 subdivisions 15 and 17.

23.6 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment, and
23.7 applies to applications submitted on or after January 1, 2016, or the date the new driver and
23.8 vehicle services information technology system is implemented, whichever comes later.

23.9 Sec. 50. Laws 2008, chapter 363, article 5, section 4, subdivision 7, as amended by
23.10 Laws 2009, chapter 37, article 1, section 61, is amended to read:

23.11	Subd. 7. Fish and Wildlife Management	123,000	119,000
23.12	Appropriations by Fund		
23.13	General	-0-	(427,000)
23.14	Game and Fish	123,000	546,000

23.15 \$329,000 in 2009 is a reduction for fish and
23.16 wildlife management.

23.17 \$46,000 in 2009 is a reduction in the
23.18 appropriation for the Minnesota Shooting
23.19 Sports Education Center.

23.20 \$52,000 in 2009 is a reduction for licensing.

23.21 \$123,000 in 2008 and \$246,000 in 2009 are
23.22 from the game and fish fund to implement
23.23 fish virus surveillance, prepare infrastructure
23.24 to handle possible outbreaks, and implement
23.25 control procedures for highest risk waters
23.26 and fish production operations. This is a
23.27 onetime appropriation.

23.28 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
23.29 297A.94, paragraph (e), \$300,000 in 2009
23.30 is from the second year appropriation in
23.31 Laws 2007, chapter 57, article 1, section 4,
23.32 subdivision 7, from the heritage enhancement
23.33 account in the game and fish fund to study;

24.1 complete predesign, and design a of
24.2 shooting sports facility in the seven-county
24.3 metropolitan area facilities. Funding may
24.4 also be used to establish basic hunter
24.5 education/firearms safety ranges and archery
24.6 ranges on public properties. This is available
24.7 onetime only and is available until expended.

24.8 \$300,000 in 2009 is appropriated from the
24.9 game and fish fund for only activities that
24.10 improve, enhance, or protect fish and wildlife
24.11 resources. This is a onetime appropriation.

24.12 **Sec. 51. REFUNDS; LIFETIME LICENSES.**

24.13 On or after the effective date of sections 21 to 24, the commissioner of natural
24.14 resources may issue refunds for the difference of the price of lifetime licenses purchased
24.15 between March 1, 2013, and the effective date of sections 21 to 24.

24.16 **Sec. 52. GRAY PARTRIDGE BAG LIMIT; RULEMAKING.**

24.17 (a) The commissioner of natural resources shall amend Minnesota Rules, part
24.18 6234.0500, by adding a new subpart to read: "A person may not take more than five gray
24.19 partridge per day or possess more than ten gray partridge at a time."

24.20 (b) The commissioner may use the good cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes,
24.21 section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to adopt rules under this section, and Minnesota
24.22 Statutes, section 14.386, does not apply except as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section
24.23 14.388.

24.24 **Sec. 53. RULEMAKING; SNOWMOBILE OPERATION DURING FIREARMS**
24.25 **DEER SEASON.**

24.26 (a) The commissioner of natural resources shall amend Minnesota Rules, part
24.27 6232.0300, subpart 7, item C, by deleting "Legal use of snowmobiles during the open deer
24.28 season is governed by part 6100.5100."

24.29 (b) The commissioner may use the good cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes,
24.30 section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to adopt rules under this section, and Minnesota
24.31 Statutes, section 14.386, does not apply except as provided under Minnesota Statutes,
24.32 section 14.388.

25.1 Sec. 54. **RULEMAKING; USE OF RABBITS AND HARES TO TRAIN DOGS.**

25.2 (a) The commissioner of natural resources shall amend Minnesota Rules, part
25.3 6234.0600, to add the following language: "A person may use dogs to pursue rabbits and
25.4 hares without killing or capturing the rabbits and hares at any time during the year except
25.5 from March 14 to July 14 or under permit."

25.6 (b) The commissioner may use the good cause exemption under Minnesota Statutes,
25.7 section 14.388, subdivision 1, clause (3), to adopt rules under this section, and Minnesota
25.8 Statutes, section 14.386, does not apply except as provided under Minnesota Statutes,
25.9 section 14.388.

25.10 Sec. 55. **REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION.**

25.11 The revisor of statutes shall delete the range reference "84A.01 to 84A.11" and insert
25.12 "84A.01 to 84A.101" wherever it appears in Minnesota Statutes.

25.13 Sec. 56. **REPEALER.**

25.14 Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections 84.154, subdivision 5; 84A.04; 84A.08; 84A.11;
25.15 97A.081; 97A.083; 97A.445, subdivision 3; 97A.4742, subdivision 3; 97B.061; 97B.611;
25.16 97B.615; 97B.621, subdivisions 1 and 4; 97B.625; 97B.631; 97B.635; 97B.711; 97B.715,
25.17 subdivision 2; 97B.803; 97B.911; 97B.915; 97B.921; 97B.925; 97C.011; and 97C.827,
25.18 and Minnesota Rules, part 6100.5100, are repealed."

25.19 Amend the title accordingly