

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 3124, the first committee engrossment,
1.2 as follows:

1.3 Page 12, delete section 25, and insert:

1.4 "Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 97B.405, is amended to read:

1.5 **97B.405 COMMISSIONER MAY LIMIT NUMBER OF BEAR HUNTERS.**

1.6 (a) The commissioner may limit the number of persons that may hunt bear in an
1.7 area, if it is necessary to prevent an overharvest or improve the distribution of hunters.
1.8 The commissioner may establish, by rule, a method, including a drawing, to impartially
1.9 select the hunters for an area. The commissioner shall give preference to hunters that have
1.10 previously applied and have not been selected.

1.11 (b) In the case of a drawing, the commissioner shall allow a person to apply for a
1.12 permit in more than one area at the same time and rank the person's choice of area.

1.13 (c) A person selected through a drawing must purchase a license by the Friday
1.14 closest to July 31. Any remaining available licenses not purchased shall be issued
1.15 beginning the following Wednesday to those who applied unsuccessfully. Any remaining
1.16 available licenses not purchased by unsuccessful applicants may then be issued the
1.17 following week beginning on Wednesday to any eligible person as prescribed by the
1.18 commissioner on a first-come, first-served basis."

1.19 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

1.20 Amend the title accordingly