

**SENATE**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**NINETIETH SESSION**

**S.F. No. 3828**

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1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to agriculture; modifying identification requirements for farmed Cervidae;  
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 35.155, subdivision 6.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 35.155, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 6. **Identification.** (a) Farmed Cervidae must be identified by means approved by  
1.7 the Board of Animal Health. The identification must be visible to the naked eye during  
1.8 daylight under normal conditions at a distance of 50 yards and, for white-tailed deer only,  
1.9 must include or be accompanied by a functioning global positioning system device capable  
1.10 of identifying the deer's current location. Newborn animals must be identified ~~before~~  
1.11 ~~December 31 of the year in which the animal is born~~ within 72 hours of birth or before  
1.12 movement from the premises, whichever occurs first.

1.13 (b) The Board of Animal Health shall register farmed Cervidae. The owner must submit  
1.14 the registration request on forms provided by the board. The forms must include sales  
1.15 receipts or other documentation of the origin of the Cervidae. The board shall provide copies  
1.16 of the registration information to the commissioner of natural resources upon request. The  
1.17 owner must keep written records of the acquisition and disposition of registered farmed  
1.18 Cervidae.