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STATE OF MINNESOTA

EIGHTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

S.F. No. 815

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02/28/2013	438	Introduction and first reading Referred to Environment and Energy

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A bill for an act

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relating to natural resources; reinstating the five-year moratorium on wolf

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hunting; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.645, subdivision 9.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.645, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

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Subd. 9. **Open season; moratorium.** Beginning June 30, 2013, there shall be

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no open season for wolves ~~until after the wolf is delisted under the federal Endangered~~

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~~Species Act of 1973~~ for a five-year period. After that time, the commissioner may

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prescribe open seasons and restrictions for taking wolves but only if population

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management is deemed necessary and other means for controlling the wolf population are

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explored. The commissioner must provide opportunity for public comment.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.