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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

H. F. No. 1531

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy
- 03/12/2025 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register
Read for the Second Time
- 05/19/2025 Pursuant to Rule 4.20, returned to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy
- 03/16/2026 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register as Amended
Read for the Second Time
- 04/09/2026 Referred to the Chief Clerk for Comparison with S. F. No. 1251
- 04/13/2026 Postponed Indefinitely

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to game and fish; removing expiration of crossbow hunting and fishing

1.3 allowance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 97B.037.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 97B.037, is amended to read:

1.6 **97B.037 CROSSBOW HUNTING AND FISHING.**

1.7 ~~(a)~~ Notwithstanding section 97B.035, subdivisions 1 and 2, a person may take deer,

1.8 bear, turkey, common carp, or native rough fish by crossbow during the respective regular

1.9 archery seasons. The transportation requirements of section 97B.051 apply to crossbows

1.10 during the regular archery deer, bear, turkey, common carp, or native rough fish season.

1.11 Crossbows must meet the requirements of section 97B.106, subdivision 2. A person taking

1.12 deer, bear, turkey, common carp, or native rough fish by crossbow under this section must

1.13 have a valid license to take the respective game.

1.14 ~~(b) This section expires June 30, 2026.~~

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