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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **600**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to game and fish; increasing deer license revenue dedicated to deer  
1.3 management account; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 97A.075,  
1.4 subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 97A.075, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Deer, bear, and lifetime licenses.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision,  
1.8 "deer license" means a license issued under section 97A.475, subdivisions 2, clauses (5),  
1.9 (6), (7), (13), (14), and (15); 3, paragraph (a), clauses (2), (3), (4), (10), (11), and (12); and  
1.10 8, paragraph (b), and licenses issued under section 97B.301, subdivision 4.

1.11 (b) \$16 from each annual deer license issued under section 97A.475, subdivisions 2,  
1.12 clauses (5), (6), and (7); 3, paragraph (a), clauses (2), (3), and (4); and 8, paragraph (b); \$2  
1.13 from each annual deer license and \$2 issued under sections 97A.475, subdivisions 2, clauses  
1.14 (13), (14), and (15); and 3, paragraph (a), clauses (10), (11), and (12); and 97B.301,  
1.15 subdivision 4; \$16 annually from the lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund, established in  
1.16 section 97A.4742, for each license issued to a person 18 years of age or older under section  
1.17 97A.473, subdivision 4; and \$2 annually from the lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund for  
1.18 each license issued to a person under 18 years of age shall be credited to the deer management  
1.19 account and is appropriated to the commissioner for deer habitat improvement or deer  
1.20 management programs.

1.21 (c) \$1 from each annual deer license and each bear license and \$1 annually from the  
1.22 lifetime fish and wildlife trust fund, established in section 97A.4742, for each license issued  
1.23 under section 97A.473, subdivision 4, shall be credited to the deer and bear management

2.1 account and is appropriated to the commissioner for deer- and bear-management programs,  
2.2 including a computerized licensing system.

2.3 (d) Fifty cents from each deer license is credited to the emergency deer feeding and wild  
2.4 Cervidae health-management account and is appropriated for emergency deer feeding and  
2.5 wild Cervidae health management. Money appropriated for emergency deer feeding and  
2.6 wild Cervidae health management is available until expended.

2.7 When the unencumbered balance in the appropriation for emergency deer feeding and  
2.8 wild Cervidae health management exceeds \$2,500,000 at the end of a fiscal year, the  
2.9 unencumbered balance in excess of \$2,500,000 is canceled and available for deer- and  
2.10 bear-management programs and computerized licensing.

2.11 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from March 1, 2018.