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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1025

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to game and fish; modifying requirements for firearms safety certificate;  
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.015, subdivision 5a.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 97B.015, subdivision 5a, is amended to  
1.6 read:

1.7 Subd. 5a. **Exemption for military personnel.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivision  
1.8 5, a person who has successfully completed basic training in the United States armed  
1.9 forces is exempt from the range and shooting exercise portion of the required course of  
1.10 instruction for the firearms safety certificate. The commissioner may require written proof  
1.11 of the person's military training, as deemed appropriate for implementing this subdivision.  
1.12 The commissioner shall publicly announce this exemption from the range and shooting  
1.13 exercise requirement and the availability of the department's online; remote study option  
1.14 for adults seeking firearms safety certification. Military personnel are not exempt from  
1.15 any other requirement of this section for obtaining a firearms safety certificate.

1.16 (b) A person exempt from the range and shooting exercise portion of the required  
1.17 course of instruction for the firearms safety certificate under paragraph (a) may complete  
1.18 the wildlife identification portion of the required course through the department's online  
1.19 remote study option and need not meet with an instructor to fulfill the course requirements  
1.20 and obtain a firearms safety certificate.