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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3421

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Finance
03/14/2018 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register
Read for the Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to game and fish; modifying commissioner's duties; modifying provisions
1.3 for elk licenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, sections 97A.051, subdivision
1.4 2; 97A.433, subdivisions 4, 5.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.051, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 2. Summary of fish and game laws. (a) The commissioner shall prepare a
1.8 summary of the hunting and fishing laws and rules and deliver a sufficient supply to license
1.9 vendors to furnish one copy to each person obtaining a hunting, fishing, or trapping license.

1.10 (b) At the beginning of the summary, under the heading "Trespass," the commissioner
1.11 shall summarize the trespass provisions under sections 97B.001 to 97B.945, state that
1.12 conservation officers and peace officers must enforce the trespass laws, and state the penalties
1.13 for trespassing.

1.14 (c) In the summary the commissioner shall, under the heading "Duty to Render Aid,"
1.15 summarize the requirements under section 609.662 and state the penalties for failure to
1.16 render aid to a person injured by gunshot.

1.17 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.433, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.18 Subd. 4. Discretionary separate selection; eligibility. (a) The commissioner may
1.19 conduct a separate selection for up to 20 percent of the elk licenses to be issued for an area.
1.20 Only owners of, and tenants living on, at least 160 acres of agricultural or grazing land in
1.21 the area, and their family members, are eligible for the separate selection. Persons that are
1.22 unsuccessful in a separate selection must be included in the selection for the remaining

2.1 licenses. Persons who obtain an elk license in a separate selection ~~must allow public elk~~
2.2 ~~hunting on their land during the elk season for which the license is valid~~ may sell the license
2.3 to any Minnesota resident eligible to hunt big game for no more than the original cost of
2.4 the license.

2.5 (b) The commissioner may by rule establish criteria for determining eligible family
2.6 members under this subdivision.

2.7 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.433, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

2.8 Subd. 5. **Mandatory separate selection.** The commissioner must conduct a separate
2.9 selection for 20 percent of the elk licenses to be issued each year. Only individuals who
2.10 have applied at least ten times for an elk license and who have never received a license are
2.11 eligible for this separate selection. A person who is unsuccessful in a separate selection
2.12 under this subdivision must be included in the selection for the remaining licenses.