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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-SECOND SESSION

H. F. No. 4802

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; clarifying concurrent authority for regulating farmed
1.3 white-tailed deer; amending Minnesota Statutes 2021 Supplement, section 35.155,
1.4 subdivision 14.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2021 Supplement, section 35.155, subdivision 14, is amended
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 14. Concurrent authority; regulating farmed white-tailed deer. (a) The
1.9 commissioner of natural resources and in conjunction with the Board of Animal Health
1.10 possess concurrent authority to regulate farmed white-tailed deer under this section, sections
1.11 35.92 to 35.96, and any administrative rules adopted pursuant to this section or sections
1.12 35.92 to 35.96. This does not confer to the commissioner any additional authorities under
1.13 chapter 35, other than those set forth in sections 35.155 and 35.92 to 35.96, and any
1.14 administrative rules adopted thereto.

1.15 (b) By February 1, 2022, the commissioner of natural resources, in conjunction with the
1.16 Board of Animal Health, must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members
1.17 of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the environment and
1.18 natural resources and agriculture on the implementation of the concurrent authority under
1.19 this section. The report must include:

1.20 (1) a summary of how the agencies worked together under this section, including
1.21 identification of any challenges;

1.22 (2) an assessment of ongoing challenges to managing chronic wasting disease in this
1.23 state; and

- 2.1 ~~(3) recommendations for statutory and programmatic changes to help the state better~~
- 2.2 ~~manage the disease.~~