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A bill for an act

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relating to agriculture; clarifying certain requirements for farmed Cervidae;

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amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 35.155, subdivisions 5, 11.

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

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Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 35.155, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

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Subd. 5. **Disease control programs.** Farmed Cervidae are subject to this chapter and

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the rules of the Board of Animal Health in the same manner as other livestock and domestic

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animals, including provisions related to importation and transportation. The board must not

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designate or continue a disease management or endemic zone for chronic wasting disease

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unless chronic wasting disease is found on a specific property where a cervid farm is located.

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The zone is limited to that chronic wasting disease positive property and does not extend

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to other noncontiguous property owned by the same person or entity.

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Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 35.155, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

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Subd. 11. **Mandatory surveillance for chronic wasting disease; depopulation.** (a)

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An inventory for each farmed Cervidae herd must be verified by an accredited veterinarian

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and filed with the Board of Animal Health every 12 months.

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(b) Movement of farmed Cervidae from any premises to another location must be reported

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to the Board of Animal Health within 14 days of the movement on forms approved by the

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Board of Animal Health.

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(c) All animals from farmed Cervidae herds that are over 12 months of age that die or

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are slaughtered must be tested for chronic wasting disease.

2.1 (d) The owner of a premises where chronic wasting disease is detected must:

2.2 (1) depopulate the premises of Cervidae after the ~~appraisal process~~ for federal  
2.3 indemnification process has been completed or, if an indemnification application is not  
2.4 submitted, within a reasonable time determined by the board in consultation with the  
2.5 commissioner of natural resources;

2.6 (2) maintain the fencing required under subdivision 4 on the premises for five years after  
2.7 the date of detection; and

2.8 (3) post the fencing on the premises with biohazard signs as directed by the board.

2.9 Sec. 3. **DISCONTINUATION OF CURRENT ZONES.**

2.10 All disease management or endemic zones in effect on the effective date of this section  
2.11 that do not contain a chronic wasting disease positive cervid farm are discontinued.