

**97B.405 COMMISSIONER MAY LIMIT NUMBER OF BEAR HUNTERS.**

(a) The commissioner may limit the number of persons that may hunt bear in an area, if it is necessary to prevent an overharvest or improve the distribution of hunters. The commissioner may establish, by rule, a method, including a drawing, to impartially select the hunters for an area. The commissioner shall give preference to hunters that have previously applied and have not been selected.

(b) In the case of a drawing, the commissioner shall allow a person to apply for a permit in more than one area at the same time and rank the person's choice of area.

**History:** 1986 c 386 art 2 s 33; 1991 c 259 s 23; 2008 c 368 art 2 s 53