

Consolidated Fiscal Note

2021-2022 Legislative Session

SF483 - 0 - Farmed Cervidae, Portable Stands; Modifications

Chief Author: **Carrie Ruud**
 Committee: **Environment And Natural Resources Policy & Legacy Finance**
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 Lead Agency: **Natural Resources Dept**
 Other Agencies:
 Animal Health Board

State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures		X
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		
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State Total						
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biennial Total			-			-

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025
Total	-	-	-	-	-

Lead LBO Analyst's Comment

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with the LBO's Uniform Standards and Procedures.

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Bill Description

This bill modifies the provisions relating to farmed cervidae, cervidae carcass transportation restrictions, new type of muzzleloader, and permanently allows portable stands in certain wildlife management areas.

Assumptions

Sec. 1, Subd. 1 Running at large prohibited.

This section adds a requirement of a farmed cervid owner to immediately notify the DNR of an escaped farmed cervidae. It also allows a licensed hunter to kill and possess an escaped farmed cervidae. We assume the licensed hunter can only do this during a valid hunting season and is not liable to the farmed cervid owner. Data shows there are 1-2 occurrences during a deer hunting season. No fiscal impact.

This language indicates Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) testing expenses are at the owner's expense, which would be a new expense to the owner. The Board of Animal Health requires testing on both the obex tissue and lymph nodes to match USDA standards. Testing expenses may range from \$40-\$80 per deer depending on the lab selected and test types required. The effective date is September 1, 2021. DNR does not currently incur this expense. No fiscal impact.

Sec. 2, Subd. 6 Identification.

This section requires owner identification for farmed white-tailed deer. We assume farmed cervid owners will comply with tagging requirements consistent with state and federal standards. The effective date is September 1, 2021. No fiscal impact.

Sec. 3, Subd. 51 Unloaded.

This proposed language allows for a new style of muzzleloader to be used. This section is effective the day following final enactment. No fiscal impact.

Sec. 4, Subd. 5 Portable stands.

This language removes an expiration date of December 31, 2019 and allows what was once a pilot program become permanent. This is retroactive from July 1, 2019. No fiscal impact.

Sec. 5, Subd. 8 Importing Cervidae carcasses.

This section provides clarity regarding cervidae carcasses imported to Minnesota, and includes cervidae carcasses procured by any means (not just hunter harvested). This may include roadkill. The DNR is already addressing hunter harvested carcass transportation under current law. DNR may learn of importation through a Turn In Poachers (TIP) call. We assume this will occur two times per year requiring less than 5 hours of staff time. This is an immaterial impact.

DNR currently provides and will continue to print communications relating to carcass rules in the annual hunting

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regulations book, available on the website, and messaging in the fall press releases about the deer hunting season. No additional fiscal impact.

Sec. 6, Subd. 1 Permissible firearms and ammunition; big game and wolves.

Same as Sec. 3 above.

Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

None.

Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

Any increased events will result in increased costs in which we expect to seek additional funding support.

Local Fiscal Impact

N/A

References/Sources

Minn. Stat. § 35.155
Minn. Stat § 97A.015
Minn. Stat § 97A.137
Minn. Stat § 97A.505
Minn. Stat § 97B.031

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Sec. 2, Subd. 6 Identification.

This section requires owner identification for farmed white-tailed deer. We assume farmed cervid owners will comply with tagging requirements consistent with state and federal standards. The effective date is September 1, 2021. The cost of meeting identification requirements lies with the farmed Cervidae owners. No fiscal impact to the Board of Animal Health.

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Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 35.155, subdivision 1

Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, section 35.155, subdivision 6

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