HOUSE BILL No. 2800

By Representative M. Holmes

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9 AN ACT concerning wildlife; relating to youth hunt of a lifetime deer permits; amending K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 32-971 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 32-971 is hereby amended to read as follows: 32-971. (a) The commission may authorize youth hunt of a lifetime deer permits to take deer. Such permits shall be made available only to nonprofit organizations based or operating in Kansas that actively promote hunting for youth under the age of 21 who are handicapped or experiencing life threatening illnesses.

- (b) The issuance of youth hunt of a lifetime deer permits shall be subject to the following limitations:
- (1) A total of not more than 10 youth hunt of a lifetime permits shall be available in one calendar year; and
- (2) youth hunt of a lifetime permits shall not be included in nor reduce any limited quota permit allotments set by other rules and regulations of the secretary.
- (c) Application requests by qualified organizations shall be submitted to any member of the commission and shall be provided to the commission as a whole.
- (d) The commission shall conduct a random drawing from the pool of eligible qualified organizations to award youth hunt of a lifetime permits, subject to the approval of the secretary.
- (e) Organizations awarded youth hunt of a lifetime permits shall *not* be required to pay to the department the price established by rules and regulations for the highest value for the type of permit awarded.
- (f) Youth hunt of a lifetime permits shall only be issued in the name of the final recipient. Once a youth hunt of a lifetime permit is issued in the name of the final recipient, it shall not be transferred to any other individual.
- (g) Youth hunt of a lifetime permits shall be subject to the restrictions of the season, sex, equipment type or hunt units as issued on the permit by the department.
 - (h) Organizations awarded youth hunt of a lifetime permits shall pro-

- vide the department with a final report on the use of the permit by the
 final recipient not later than 30 days following the close of the season for
 which the permit is valid.
- 4 (i) The secretary may adopt, in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and 5 amendments thereto, such rules and regulations as necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 32-971 is hereby repealed.
- 8 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 9 publication in the statute book.