

HOUSE BILL No. 2030

By Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

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1 AN ACT concerning hunting, relating to deer permits; amending K.S.A.
2 2012 Supp. 32-971 and repealing the existing section.

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

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-971 is hereby amended to read as
6 follows: 32-971. (a) ~~The commission~~ department may authorize youth
7 hunt of a lifetime *and wounded warrior* deer permits to take deer. ~~Such~~
8 *Youth hunt of a lifetime* permits shall be made available only to nonprofit
9 organizations based or operating in Kansas that actively promote hunting
10 for youth under the age of 21 who are handicapped or experiencing life
11 threatening illnesses. *Wounded warrior deer permits shall be made*
12 *available only to disabled veterans who sustained injuries in combat and*
13 *have a service-connected disability of not less than 40%.*

14 (b) The issuance of youth hunt of a lifetime *and wounded warrior*
15 deer permits shall be subject to the following limitations:

16 (1) A total of not more than 10 youth hunt of a lifetime permits *and*
17 *not more than 10 wounded warrior permits* shall be available in ~~one~~ each
18 calendar year;

19 (2) youth hunt of a lifetime permits *and wounded warrior permits*
20 shall not be included in nor reduce any limited quota permit allotments set
21 by other rules and regulations of the secretary.

22 ~~(e) Application requests by qualified organizations shall be submitted~~
23 ~~to any member of the commission and shall be provided to the commission~~
24 ~~as a whole.~~

25 ~~(d)~~(c) The ~~commission~~ department shall conduct a random drawing
26 from the pool of eligible qualified organizations to award youth hunt of a
27 lifetime *or wounded warrior* permits, ~~subject to the approval of the~~
28 ~~secretary~~ *if demand exceeds the allocation of permits, as determined by*
29 *the department.*

30 ~~(e)~~(d) Organizations awarded youth hunt of a lifetime *or wounded*
31 *warrior* permits shall pay to the department the price established by rules
32 and regulations for the highest value for the type of permit awarded.

33 ~~(f)~~(e) Youth hunt of a lifetime *and wounded warrior* permits shall
34 only be issued in the name of the final recipient. Once a youth hunt of a
35 lifetime permit is issued in the name of the final recipient, it shall not be
36 transferred to any other individual.

1 ~~(g)~~(f) Youth hunt of a lifetime *and wounded warrior* permits shall be
2 subject to the restrictions of the season, sex, equipment type or hunt units
3 as issued on the permit by the department.

4 ~~(h)~~(g) Organizations awarded youth hunt of a lifetime *or wounded*
5 *warrior* permits shall provide the department with a final report on the use
6 of the permit by the final recipient not later than 30 days following the
7 close of the season for which the permit is valid.

8 ~~(i)~~(h) The secretary may adopt, in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805,
9 and amendments thereto, such rules and regulations as necessary to
10 implement the provisions of this section.

11 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-971 is hereby repealed.

12 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
13 publication in the Kansas register.