Session of 2013

HOUSE BILL No. 2030

By Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

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

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-971 is hereby amended to read as follows: 32-971. (a) The—commission department may authorize youth hunt of a lifetime and wounded warrior deer permits to take deer.—Such Youth hunt of a lifetime 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. Wounded warrior deer permits shall be made available only to disabled veterans who sustained injuries in combat and have a service-connected disability of not less than 40%.

- (b) The issuance of youth hunt of a lifetime *and wounded warrior* deer permits shall be subject to the following limitations:
- (1) A total of not more than 10 youth hunt of a lifetime permits and not more than 10 wounded warrior permits shall be available in-one each calendar year;
- (2) youth hunt of a lifetime permits and wounded warrior permits shall not be included in nor reduce any limited quota permit allotments set by other rules and regulations of the secretary.
- (e) 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)(c) The commission department shall conduct a random drawing from the pool of eligible qualified organizations to award youth hunt of a lifetime or eligible individuals to award wounded warrior permits, subject to the approval of the secretary if demand exceeds the allocation of permits, as determined by the department.
- (e)(d) Organizations awarded youth hunt of a lifetime-or permits and individuals awarded wounded warrior permits shall pay to the department the price established by rules and regulations for the highest value for the type of permit awarded.
- (f)(e) Youth hunt of a lifetime and wounded warrior permits shall only be issued in the name of the final recipient. Once a youth hunt of a lifetime or wounded warrior permit is issued in the name of the final

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11 12 recipient, it shall not be transferred to any other individual.

- (g)(f) Youth hunt of a lifetime and wounded warrior 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)(g) Organizations awarded youth hunt of a lifetime or wounded warrior permits shall provide 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.
- (i)(h) The secretary may adopt, in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto, such rules and regulations as necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-971 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.