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Overview

Section

- Possession of crossbows. Amends § 97B.035, subd. 2. Removes the bow case requirements for crossbows that apply outdoors or in motor vehicles during the open season for game provided the bow is unarmed.
- **Possession of firearms and ammunition restricted in deer zones.** Amends § 97B.041. Removes the gun case requirements for a firearm outdoors during the period beginning the fifth day before the open firearms deer season and ending the second day after the close of the season.
- Restrictions. Amends § 97B.045, subd. 1. Removes existing gun case requirements by allowing a person to transport an unloaded firearm (except for pistols) in a motor vehicle without being cased unless: (1) restricted under section 97A.091 (existing restriction while on game refuges); section 97B.081 (existing restriction while using artificial lights ("shining")); or section 97B.086 (existing restriction while using night vision equipment); or (2) within the boundaries of a city, town, county, or other government subdivision that prohibits the discharge of a firearm.
- **Transportation of archery bows.** Amends § 97B.051. Removes existing casing requirements for bows provided they are not armed.
- **Possession on school property; penalty.** Amends § 609.66, subd. 1d. Technical correction needed to preserve gun and bow case requirements on school grounds.