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Overview

This bill (1) provides for a disability designation to go on a driver's license or Minnesota identification card; and (2) allows licenses and identification cards with a disability designation to be used in obtaining various disability-related hunting and angling licenses and special permits (including hunting from a motor vehicle, use of a crossbow, use of a muzzleloader with a nonmagnifying scope, free angling licenses for disabled residents, and free licenses for disabled veterans for angling, deer, and small game).

Section

- 1 Angling and spearing; disabled residents.** Permits someone who has a driver's license or state identification card with the appropriate disability designation (being established in section 10 of the bill) to use it instead of providing medical evidence when obtaining a free angling license.
- 2 Angling; disabled veterans.** Permits someone who has a driver's license or state identification card with a disabled veteran designation (being established in section 9 of the bill) to use it instead of providing medical evidence when obtaining a free angling license.
- 3 Taking deer; disabled veterans.** Permits someone who has a driver's license or state identification card with a disabled veteran designation (being established in section 9 of the bill) to use it instead of providing medical evidence when obtaining a free license to take deer.

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- 4 Taking small game; disabled veterans.** Permits someone who has a driver's license or state identification card with a disabled veteran designation (being established in section 9 of the bill) to use it instead of providing medical evidence when obtaining a free license to take small game.
- 5 Scopes; visually impaired hunters.** Permits someone who has a driver's license or state identification card with the appropriate disability designation (being established in section 10 of the bill) to use it instead of providing medical evidence when obtaining a special permit to use a muzzleloader with a scope.
- 6 Hunting from vehicle by disabled hunters.** Permits someone who has a driver's license or state identification card with the appropriate disability designation (being established in section 10 of the bill) to use it instead of providing medical evidence when obtaining a special permit to hunt from a vehicle.
- 7 Qualifications for crossbow permits.** Permits someone who has a driver's license or state identification card with the appropriate disability designation (being established in section 10 of the bill) to use it instead of providing medical evidence when obtaining a free special permit to hunt with a crossbow.
- 8 Establishment; requirements.** Permits someone who has a driver's license or state identification card with the appropriate disability designation (being established in section 10 of the bill) to use it instead of providing medical evidence when obtaining a special permit to take big game and small game during a special season (as part of a program for disabled hunters).
- 9 Veteran designation.** Establishes a "Veteran 100% T&P" designation that can be placed on driver's licenses and Minnesota identification cards if requested by the applicant, for veterans with a 100 percent total and permanent service-connected disability. The change is effective January 1, 2016.
- 10 Disability designation.** Establishes a disability designation that can be placed on driver's licenses and Minnesota identification cards if requested by the applicant. Each type is based on, and uses the same medical evidence requirements associated with, various disability-related hunting and angling licenses and special permits, and all designations are limited to a permanent disability. The change is effective the later of January 1, 2016, or completion of the new Driver and Vehicle Services information technology system.