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Overview

This bill would modify existing exemptions for The Minnesota Zoo (aka the Minnesota Zoological Board). The Minnesota Zoo would be exempt from animal health and game and fish laws. However the Zoo would be required to obtain a permit for each exemption.

Section

- 1 Wild animal exemption.** Removes a reference to chapters of law that the legislature previously repealed or renumbered (chapters 19, 97, 98, 99, 100, and 101). Exempts the Minnesota Zoological Board from chapters 35 “Animal Health” and 97A “Game and Fish”.

Requires the Minnesota Zoological Board to request a permit from the Board of Animal Health (BAH) for any exemption from requirements in chapter 35 or corresponding rules issued by BAH. Requires the Minnesota Zoological Board to request a permit from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for any exemption from requirements in chapter 97A or corresponding rules issued by DNR. Requires BAH and DNR to issue permits requested by the Minnesota Zoological Board.