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Overview

This bill would allow a person who is disabled or 65 years of age or older to leave a portable deer stand in a wildlife management area (WMA).

Section

- 1** **Portable stand or blind for elderly or disabled.** Adds § 97A.137, subd. 6. Allows a physically disabled person or a person who is 65 years of age or older to leave a portable stand or blind in a WMA. Allows the person to erect the stand or blind one day prior to the start of the deer hunting season and remove it no later than the day following the season. Prohibits the stand or blind from permanently damaging trees or other vegetation and allows only clamp-on or strap-on stands. Requires the stand or blind to have a tag with the person's name and address, driver's license, or Minnesota Department of Natural Resources identification number on it.

Defines physically disabled for purposes of this section as a hunter who has a verified statement of physical disability from a licensed physician or a certified nurse practitioner or certified physician assistant.