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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 1654

02/13/2023 Authored by Freiberg and Hansen, R., The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to game and fish; modifying issuance of big-game license after conviction;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 97A.421, subdivision 3.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 97A.421, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 3. Issuance after conviction; big game. (a) A person may not use a big-game
1.7 license purchased before conviction, obtain any a big-game license, or take big game under
1.8 a lifetime license, issued under section 97A.473, for three years after the person is convicted
1.9 of:

1.10 (1) a gross misdemeanor violation under the game and fish laws relating to big game;

1.11 (2) doing an act without a required big-game license; or

1.12 (3) the second violation within three years under the game and fish laws relating to big
1.13 game.

1.14 (b) A person may not obtain any deer license or take deer under a lifetime license issued
1.15 under section 97A.473 for one year after the person is convicted of hunting deer with the
1.16 aid or use of bait under section 97B.328.

1.17 (c) The revocation period under paragraphs (a) and (b) doubles if the conviction is for
1.18 a deer that is a trophy deer scoring higher than 170 using the scoring method established
1.19 for wildlife restitution values adopted under section 97A.345.