

NATURAL RESOURCES -- FISH, WILDLIFE, AND RECREATION

Car-Killed Deer
[LFB Paper #471]

Motion:

Move to provide \$701,400 forestry SEG on a one-time basis in 2015-16 and 2016-17 and require the Department of Natural Resources to administer the program for removal of car-killed deer from state trunk highways. Require DNR to submit a report to the Governor, Joint Committee on Finance and appropriate standing committees of the Legislature by January 1, 2017, including the cost effectiveness of the program, the number of deer collected, and any recommendations regarding the program. In addition, specify that a person may take possession of the carcass of a deer killed in a motor vehicle collision, subject to certain CWD-related regulations, if the person contacts the Department of Natural Resources in a manner prescribed by DNR and identifies the following prior to taking possession: (a) the name and address of the person taking possession of the carcass; and (b) the location of the carcass.

Note:

The state trunk highway system includes state, interstate, and U.S. highways. Section 29.349 currently requires any person who is taking possession of the carcass of a deer, bear, or wild turkey killed in a motor vehicle collision on a highway to have the carcass tagged by a law enforcement officer (no fee is required for the tag). The motion would remove the tag requirement.

[Change to Bill: \$1,402,800 SEG]

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