HB 2250-1 (LC 582) 2/21/13 (DLT/ps)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2250

On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, line 2, after the semicolon delete the rest of the line and insert "creating new provisions; amending section 2, chapter 460, Oregon Laws 1995; and declaring an emergency.".

4 Delete lines 4 through 31 and delete <u>page 2</u> and insert:

"SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 460, Oregon Laws 1995, as amended by
section 1, chapter 227, Oregon Laws 2001, section 1, chapter 349, Oregon
Laws 2009, and section 2a, chapter 832, Oregon Laws 2009, is amended to
read:

9 "Sec. 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of the wildlife laws, during 10 the period beginning January 1, 1996, and ending January 2, [2014,] 2020, the 11 following provisions apply with regard to the issuance and use of landowner 12 preference tags referred to in ORS 496.146 (4):

"(1) Landowner preference tags shall be issued for the hunting of deer,elk or antelope.

"(2) Landowner preference tags may be used only for hunting on thelandowner's property.

"(3) Subject to subsection (6) of this section, landowner preference tags for the hunting of deer or elk may be transferred to any person of the landowner's choosing and shall be used for the taking of antlerless animals [except as authorized by subsection (6) of this section].

"(4) Landowner preference tags for the hunting of antelope are not
transferable and may not be used for the taking of buck antelope.

"(5) Each landowner preference tag for the hunting of deer [*or elk*] may be used to take two antlerless animals before, during or after the hunting season for which the tags are valid for the purpose of alleviating damage that is presently occurring to the landowner's property, in accordance with such rules as the State Fish and Wildlife Commission may adopt.

6 "(6) Landowner preference tags for the hunting of deer or elk [that are] 7 **may be** transferred to a person of the landowner's choosing [who is not a 8 member of the landowner's immediate family may be used to take an antlered 9 animal only] as follows:

10 "[(a) If the landowner receives one preference tag, that tag may not be so 11 used.]

"[(b) If the landowner receives two, three or four preference tags, one of those tags may be so used.]

14 "[(c) If the landowner receives five, six or seven preference tags, two of those 15 tags may be so used.]

16 "[(d) If the landowner receives eight, nine or 10 preference tags, three of 17 those tags may be so used].

"(a) A landowner who is issued only one tag may not transfer that
tag.

"(b) A landowner who is issued two or more tags may transfer not more than 50 percent of the tags to a person who is not an immediate family member, as defined in ORS 496.146 (4). If the calculation of the number of tags eligible for transfer under the provisions of this paragraph results in a fraction, the commission shall round up the number of tags to the next whole number.

"(7)(a) As specified pursuant to a formula determined by the com mission by rule, the number of landowner preference tags issued for
 mule deer must be based upon the management, research and habitat
 needs set forth in the wildlife management plan for mule deer.

30 "(b) If the population of mule deer in a wildlife management unit

is greater than the goal specified in the wildlife management plan for mule deer, a landowner who is issued a landowner preference tag is eligible, pursuant to criteria established by rule of the commission, for the number of tags that corresponds to the number of acres that landowner has registered with the commission for participation in the program.

"(c) The commission may specify by rule a formula for determining the number of landowner preference tags that are available for controlled hunts for mule deer in a wildlife management unit in which the population of mule deer is less than the goal specified for that wildlife management unit in the wildlife management plan for mule deer.

"[(7)] (8) Landowners [*must*] shall pay a \$30 fee to register for participation in the program.

"[(8)] (9) [Establishes] A landowner shall pay a \$15 fee [for
 landowners] to modify the landowner's tag distribution.

"SECTION 2. (1) The amendments to section 2, chapter 460, Oregon
 Laws 1995, by section 1 of this 2013 Act apply to landowner preference
 tags issued on or after the operative date specified in subsection (2)
 of this section.

"(2)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the
 amendments to section 2, chapter 460, Oregon Laws 1995, by section 1
 of this 2013 Act become operative on January 1, 2014.

"(b) The State Fish and Wildlife Commission may adopt rules or
take any other action before the operative date specified in paragraph
(a) of this subsection that is necessary to implement, on and after the
operative date specified in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the
amendments to section 2, chapter 460, Oregon Laws 1995, by section 1
of this 2013 Act.

29 "<u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate 30 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is

- 1 declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.".
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