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MEMORANDUM

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To: Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and Interested Publics

From: Chet Van Dellen, Data and Technology Services Division Administrator

Title: **Commission General Regulation 472, LCB File No. R029-17, License Simplification**

Description: The Commission will hold a workshop on September 22, 2017 and an adoption hearing on September 23, 2017 to consider and recommend amendments to Chapters 488, 501, 502, and 504 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation is designed to implement the hunting, fishing, and boating license simplification structure approved during the 79th Legislative Session in Senate Bill 511.

Summary:

The 79th (2017) Session of the Nevada Legislature passed Senate Bill 511 (SB511) changing the provisions regarding hunting, fishing, and boating in Nevada. This bill was designed to simplify and clarify the licensing process regarding those privileges. The intent of the workshop is to review the amendments to the NAC and consider public comment on the regulations drafted by the Department and Legislative Counsel Bureau. The Commission will consider adopting the draft regulation on September 23, 2017 as recommended during the workshop held on Friday, September 22, 2017.

Brief Explanation of the Proposed Regulation:

The proposed regulation pertains to the administration of hunting, fishing, and boating privileges in Nevada and the effort to simplify the licensing process for such privileges.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission review the proposed regulations from the workshop and vote to adopt the regulations.



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Executive Summary

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Proposed revisions to regulations pertaining to watercraft (NAC 488):

1. NAC 488.175.2 allowing vessel registration by telephone
2. NAC 488.523.1-3 revising the fee for Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) decals to \$12 annually for motorized vessels and \$5 annually for non-motorized vessels and standardizing the fee for both resident and non-resident vessels
3. NAC 488.525.1-7 defining the expiration date for all AIS decals as December 31 of the year of issue and requiring only AIS decals issued by the Department to be displayed on a vessel

Proposed revisions to regulations pertaining to administering wildlife laws (NAC 501):

1. NAC 501.200.1 clarifying the demerits for providing false information pertaining to serving in the Armed Forces to obtain a license now that this license is a specialty combination hunting and fishing license
2. NAC 501.400.4 defining how the Department is funded by proportional deposits of fees for hunting and fishing licenses now that habitat conservation fees, upland game bird fees, duck stamp fees, and trout stamp fees have been eliminated
3. Adding to Chapter 502 the following new regulations:
 - o The definition of "client number" to be a unique number assigned to any applicant for a license, tag, permit, or other document and "licensing document" to be a license, tag, permit, or other licensing document authorized by the Department
 - o The required information for applying for a license document must include legal name; physical and mailing address; city, county, and state of residence; zip code; social security number (or passport number for foreign applicants); statement attesting completion of a hunter education course; statement attesting residency (if applicable); description of the applicant, including height, weight, gender, hair color, eye color, and date of birth; email address; and statement attesting the applicant is legally entitled to obtain the licensing document

Proposed revisions to regulations pertaining to wildlife licenses, tags, and permits (NAC 502):

1. NAC 502.020.1 including moose in the definition of "big game mammal"
2. NAC 502.040 including contractors acting on behalf and under the direction of the Department in the definition of "Department"
3. NAC 502.065 replacing the term "stamps" with "permits" in the definition of a license agent
4. NAC 502.080 revising the definition of "license office" to include the current description of how the Department manages the licensing program
5. NAC 502.117 clarifying that resident Native Americans are eligible for a new specialty combination hunting and fishing license
6. NAC 502.118.1-2 clarifying the method of payment to the Department for licensing and vessel documents
7. NAC 502.120.1 replacing the term "stamp" with "other licensing documents" under the provision that allows the Department to authorize license agents

8. NAC 502.125 removing the term “stamp” from the provision that prohibits any person other than those authorized by the Department to issue license documents
9. NAC 502.140.1-3 authorizing the Department to appoint license agents and defining the requirement for becoming a license agent
10. NAC 502.145.2 removing the requirement for the Department to apply the application fee for becoming a license agent to the set up costs of that agent
11. NAC 502.145.3 requiring that license agents have a secure place to store Department equipment, documents, and sales records
12. NAC 502.147.1-12 removing the term “stamp” from the provision requiring license agents to provide banking information and binding authority for the electronic transfer of money from the sales of licensing documents and removing the requirement that an applicant be in business for one year in order to apply to be a new license agent
13. NAC 502.160.1 removing the term “stamp” from the provisions defining how license agents must submit money from the sales of licensing documents and removing the requirement that license agents must deposit money at least once every 7 days
14. NAC 502.160.2 removing the provisions for “manual” license agents and authorizing the Department to terminate the authority of a license agent for failing to submit money due appropriately
15. NAC 502.160.3 authorizing the Department rather than the agent to deduct credit from the amount owed by a license agent to the Department
16. NAC 502.160.4 removing the term “stamp” from the provisions defining that all money collected by and property provided to license agents for the sale of licensing documents remains the property of the Department
17. NAC 502.180 stipulating that credit may be given to a license agent that voids a licensing document within 24 hours of the sale of that document and removing the provisions for voiding stamps and for handling voids from manual agents
18. NAC 502.192 stipulating when license agents relinquish or have their authority terminated they must return all licensing documents and equipment provided by the Department to the Department and removing the provision for providing credit to the license agent for returned documents
19. NAC 502.195 defining the conditions under which the Department may cancel a license agents authority or place a license agent on probation if an agent fails to comply with the provisions of the agent’s contract or regulations or fails to sell 100 licensing documents in a calendar year
20. NAC 502.211 replacing the term “privilege” with “licensing document” in the provision that allows holders of such documents to be removed from any list sold by the Department
21. NAC 502.220 clarifying that members of the Armed Forces may obtain a new specialty combination hunting and fishing license for \$15
22. NAC 502.245 clarifying that persons with severe disabilities may apply for a new specialty combination hunting and fishing license and must present a certificate signed by a physician acknowledging that they qualify for such a license
23. NAC 502.265 clarifying that mentor hunter affidavits are valid for one calendar year from the date of completion rather than one license year
24. NAC 502.282.3 clarifying that applications to obtain a permit for hunts through a random draw may include a fee of \$10 rather than must include such a fee
25. NAC 502.285.1-2 clarifying which waters constitute the reciprocal waters with Arizona and which licenses or permits are required to fish such waters and removing the requirement to obtain a special use stamp to fish such waters
26. NAC 502.286.1-2 clarifying which licenses or permits are required to fish in Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake
27. NAC 502.295 clarifying that special fishing permits are valid for one calendar year from the date of issue rather than expiring on the last day of February

28. NAC 502.297.1 removing the requirement for a stamp to fish with a second rod
29. NAC 502.310 adding the term “permits” to the provision that licensing documents must be issued in accordance with annual seasons, quotas, and other conditions
30. NAC 502.314.2 allowing license agents to be able to issue duplicate tags
31. NAC 502.331.1-2 adding moose to the stipulation that it is unlawful for any person to hold more than one tag for a big game mammal in one season and clarifying that applications for a tag must be made by only one person and in accordance with the regulations of the Commission
32. NAC 502.336.1-2 removing the qualifier “big” and allows members of the Armed Forces who are mobilized or deployed on active duty to return or defer any game tag if they meet the requirements for such a privilege
33. NAC 502.364.1 removing redundant language requiring persons hunting mountain goat to obtain a tag
34. NAC 502.370.1 removing redundant language requiring persons hunting mountain lion to possess a tag
35. NAC 502.378.1 removing the requirement to obtain a form to apply for a wild turkey tag and clarifying that wild turkey tags will be awarded based on a random draw held after the deadline established by the Commission
36. NAC 502.380.1-2 clarifying that the drawing to obtain permits to hunt swans will be held after the deadline established by the Commission and stipulating that a person hunting swan must carry a valid license or permit and removing the requirement for a state duck stamp to hunt swan
37. NAC 502.385.1 removing the requirement that a hunting tag or permit must be signed while hunting
38. NAC 502.401.1 requiring that a game tag be signed in order to be used as a transportation permit
39. NAC 502.405.1 clarifying that a properly completed big game tag harvest questionnaire must be submitted to the Department rather than a contractor by the deadline established by the Commission and removing the requirement for the Commission to publish the name and address of the contractor who would receive the questionnaire
40. NAC 502.405.2 clarifying that person who fails to return a big game tag harvest questionnaire by the deadline will become ineligible for all big game tags for 1 year and providing the provisions for how that person may have those privileges reinstated if they submit a properly completed questionnaire and pay a fine of \$50 to the Department before the deadline for the application for the main draw and removing the provisions for manually handling big game harvest questionnaire corrections
41. NAC 502.407.1-4 clarifying that a properly completed wild turkey tag harvest questionnaire must be submitted to the Department rather than a contractor by 11 p.m. on May 31, or the next business day, for spring turkey hunts and November 30, or the next business day, for fall turkey hunts and removing the requirement for the Commission to publish the name and address of the contractor who would receive the questionnaire and clarifying that person who fails to return a turkey tag harvest questionnaire by the deadline will become ineligible for all turkey tags for 1 year and providing the provisions for how that person may have those privileges reinstated if they submit a properly completed questionnaire and pay a fine of \$50 to the Department before 11 p.m. on June 30, or the next business day, for spring turkey hunts and December 31, or the next business day, for fall turkey hunts and removing the provisions for manually handling turkey harvest questionnaire corrections
42. NAC 502.417 correcting the reference to NAC 502.416 to NAC 502.417 and including the term “permits” in the provisions that apply to the processing of tag and bonus point applications

43. NAC 502.4175.1-4 requiring that persons desiring to obtain a tag, permit, or bonus point must submit an electronic application rather than a form to the Department that including whether or not the person is a resident or non-resident and including moose as a possible species selection and removing the redundant requirement to provide a social security number and adds combination hunting and fishing licenses under the requirements to obtain or apply for a valid hunting license and removing the redundant language pertaining to paying the application and license fees
44. NAC 502.4175.6 stipulating that a valid hunting or combination hunting and fishing license may only be used to apply for each random draw once during the period the license is valid
45. NAC 502.4175.7-10 adding the clarifying terms “permit” and “combination hunting and fishing license” to the language governing the fees for tags and authorizing the Department to collect such fees if the applicant draws a tag or permit and authorizing the Department to issue and collect the fees for a hunting or combination hunting and fishing license if the applicant indicated they wish to purchase such a license if a tag is successfully drawn or if the license submitted with the application for a tag will expire before the opening day of the season for the tag
46. NAC 502.4177.1 correcting the language to include restricted non-resident deer tags in the provision that allows applicants to apply for the sole purpose of obtaining a bonus point
47. NAC 502.418.1-12 clarifying and removing redundant language from the terms under which the Department may reject an incomplete or ineligible application for a tag or permit
48. NAC 502.4185.1-3 clarifying that restricted non-resident deer tags are not eligible for party applications and clarifying the provisions limiting the Department to issuing tags to parties within the applicable quotas for such tags
49. NAC 502.4187.1 correcting the reference to NAC 502.416 to NAC 502.417 and including moose as a possible species selection for big game tags
50. NAC 502.4188 adding moose to the list of species eligible for the bonus point program
51. NAC 502.419.1-3 adding the clarifying term “permit or bonus point” to the provisions governing third-party errors in tag applications
52. NAC 502.4196.1-2 adding the clarifying term “permit or bonus point” to provisions governing computer outages and other technical difficulties during the tag application process and removing the redundant language authorizing the Department Director to extend the period for applying for a bonus point when extending the period to apply for a tag
53. NAC 502.4205.1-2 adding the clarifying term “permit” to the provisions governing the use of a random draw process for tags and that such drawings are subject to the bonus point system
54. NAC 502.421.2 removing the language giving priority to applications rejected by the Department due to error by the Department when constructing the list of alternate applicants following a drawing for a tag or permit
55. NAC 502.422.5 adding moose to the list of species for which tags may be returned and not refunded in order to obtain a bonus point
56. NAC 502.4225.1 clarifying the conditions under which an applicant may return a hunting license for a refund if they failed to obtain a tag and prohibits such a return if the applicant obtained a combination hunting and fishing license
57. NAC 502.423 correcting the reference to NAC 502.4239 to NAC 502.4238 and the reference to NAC 502.42302 to NAC 502.42303
58. NAC 502.42309 correcting the reference to NAC 502.4239 to NAC 502.4238
59. NAC 502.4231.1 requiring that persons desiring to obtain a restricted non-resident deer tag must submit an electronic application rather than a form to the Department and removing redundant language pertaining to the information required by that application
60. NAC 502.4231.2 requiring that if an application for a restricted non-resident deer tag is submitted by a master guide the application must include statements indicating the applicant is

- eligible for such a tag and the master guide has power of attorney on behalf of the applicant and the master guide has the necessary special use permits to guide on federal land if necessary
61. NAC 502.4231 removing redundant language pertaining to restricted non-resident deer tag fees, quotas, seasons, and other provisions already defined in previous regulations
 62. NAC 502.4235 clarifying and removing redundant language from the provisions governing the conditions under which the Department may reject an application for a restricted non-resident deer tag
 63. NAC 502.4236 adding the reference to NAC 502.418 under the provisions governing rejecting party applications for tags
 64. NAC 502.4237 removing the requirement to provide notification by mail to master guides of the date, time, and location of the restricted non-resident deer tag drawing
 65. NAC 502.4238.1-2 removing redundant language pertaining to the authority of the Department to cancel and refund a restricted non-resident deer tag and pertaining to the use of an alternate list to fill the quota for such tags
 66. NAC 502.4238.3 restricting awarding restricted non-resident deer tags from the alternate list to applicants whose master guide does not already have more than 30 successfully drawn applicants and is able to accompany the applicant in the field
 67. NAC 502.4292 removing redundant language pertaining to the application and fees for a Silver State Tag
 68. NAC 502.4298.2 removing unnecessary language pertaining to which applicants may be placed on the alternate list for the Silver State Tag drawing
 69. NAC 502.440.1 requiring an applicant for a taxidermist license to provide a physical rather than a residential address
 70. NAC 502.445.2-3 requiring licensed taxidermists to maintain records of the physical and mailing address of persons or other taxidermists who deliver and receive wildlife parts, nests, or eggs upon which taxidermy services were performed
 71. NAC 502.500.2 authorizing the Department to charge a fee of \$10 for issuing duplicate certificates of successful completion of a course in the safe handling of firearms

Proposed revisions to regulations pertaining to wildlife management and propagation (NAC 504):

1. NAC 504.4597 removing the term “stamp” from the provisions governing fishing in private waters
2. NAC 504.711 clarifying the prohibition against master guides submitting an application for hunting on federal lands without obtaining the appropriate special use permits

Proposed repeals to regulations pertaining to wildlife and vessels (NAC 488, 501, 502, 503, and 504):

1. NAC 488.522 pertaining to the interpretation of “resident of this State” was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations
2. NAC 502.170 pertaining to the due dates and delinquency of batch reports was repealed due to outdated methodologies
3. NAC 502.182 pertaining to the procedure for recalling documents at the close of a season or license year was repealed due to outdated methodologies
4. NAC 502.185 pertaining to lost batch reports and stolen and missing documents was repealed due to outdated methodologies
5. NAC 502.200 pertaining to resident license or permit applicant proof of identity and residency and information required on license and permit applications was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations and outdated methodologies
6. NAC 502.205 pertaining to the inclusion of social security number in license applications was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations

7. NAC 502.260 pertaining to non-resident license or permit applicant proof of identity and information required on license and permit applications was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations and outdated methodologies
8. NAC 502.262 pertaining to apprentice license applicant proof of identity and information required on license and permit applications was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations and outdated methodologies
9. NAC 502.263 pertaining to issuing a temporary authorization number in lieu of an apprentice hunting license was repealed due to outdated methodologies
10. NAC 502.271 pertaining to issuing a temporary authorization number in lieu of licenses or stamps purchased over the Internet or telephone was repealed due to outdated methodologies
11. NAC 502.280 pertaining to issuing a license, tag, or permit issued without a validated class code or with multiple class codes was repealed due to outdated methodologies
12. NAC 502.291 pertaining to 1-day group fishing permits was repealed due to the elimination of such a permit under the license simplification process
13. NAC 502.376 pertaining to upland game bird stamps was repealed due to the elimination of such a stamp under the license simplification process
14. NAC 502.415 pertaining to duck stamps was repealed due to the elimination of such a stamp under the license simplification process
15. NAC 502.416 pertaining to the definition of "Department" was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations
16. NAC 502.4197 pertaining to correctable errors was repealed due to outdated methodologies
17. NAC 502.42302 pertaining to the definition of "Department" was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations
18. NAC 502.42371 pertaining to the computerized draw and bonus points program as applied to restricted non-resident deer tags was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations
19. NAC 502.42372 pertaining to the bonus points program as applied to restricted non-resident deer tags was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations
20. NAC 502.42373 pertaining to the bonus points program as applied to deer tags was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations
21. NAC 502.42375 pertaining to third-party errors in applications for restricted non-resident deer tags was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations and outdated methodologies
22. NAC 502.42377 pertaining to Department errors in applications for restricted non-resident deer tags was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations and outdated methodologies
23. NAC 502.4239 pertaining to the harvest questionnaire issued as part of the restricted non-resident deer tag was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations and outdated methodologies
24. NAC 502.4296 pertaining to third-party errors in applications for Silver State Tags was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations and outdated methodologies
25. NAC 502.4297 pertaining to the rejection of applications for Silver State Tags was repealed due to redundancy with existing regulations and outdated methodologies

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**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS**

LCB File No. R029-17

August 21, 2017

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted-material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 488.045 and 501.181; §§2 and 3, NRS 488.045 and 488.536, as amended by section 24 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3641; §4, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 501.1818; §§5, 6, 8-13, 15 and 73, NRS 501.105 and 501.181; §§7 and 14, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.280, as amended by section 9 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3636; §§16-18, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.030, as amended by section 1 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3629; §§19-24, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.040; §25, NRS 502.181; §26, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.290, as amended by section 10 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3636; §27, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.075; §28, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.030, as amended by section 1 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3629, and 502.066, as amended by section 3 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3630; §29, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.130, as amended by section 6 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3631, and 502.175; §§30 and 31, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.030, as amended by section 1 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3629, 502.045 and 502.240; §32, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.077; §33, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 503.290, as amended by section 18 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3638; §§34 and 41, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.130, as amended by section 6 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3631; §35, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160 and 502.210; §37, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.140, 502.160 and 502.250; §§37, 66 and 67, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160 and 502.250; §§38 and 39, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.130, as amended by section 6 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3631, 502.140 and 502.160; §40, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.130, as amended by section 6 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3631, 502.160 and 502.250; §42, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.140 and

502.160; §43, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 503.040; §§44 and 45, NRS 501.105, 501.119, 501.181 and 502.160; §§46, 48, 50, 53 and 58- 60, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.160; §47, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.030, as amended by section 1 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3629, and 502.160; §49, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 501.337, 502.160 and 502.175; §§51, 52 and 55, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160 and 502.175; §54, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 501.337, 502.160 and 502.175; §56, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160, 502.175 and 502.219; §57, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160, 502.219 and 502.250; §61, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 501.337, 502.030, as amended by section 1 of Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3629, 502.148, 502.160, 502.175 and 502.250; §62, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 501.337, 502.148, 502.160 and 502.175; §63, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.148 and 502.160; §64, 501.105, 501.181, 502.147 and 502.160; §§65 and 66, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.148, 502.149, 502.160 and 502.250; §§68 and 69, NRS 502.370; §70, NRS 501.181, 502.340 and 502.350; §71, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.010, 503.597 and 504.295; §72, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 504.390.

A REGULATION relating to wildlife; extending the authorization for the Department of Wildlife to issue a temporary authorization number to an applicant for a certificate of number for a vessel to requests by telephone; revising provisions governing the issuance and renewal of an aquatic invasive species decal; increasing certain fees for the issuance of those decals; revising the requirements for the deposit of certain fees for upland game birds, projects for waterfowl and programs for the management of trout; setting forth provisions governing the information which must be included in an application for the issuance of a license, tag, permit or other licensing document; expanding the term "Department" to include any independent contractor of the Department of Wildlife and any agent or employee of the independent contractor; revising provisions governing the submission of payments for a license, permit, tag or other service provided by the Department; deleting certain provisions which require a person to obtain a stamp to hunt or fish in this State; revising provisions governing the appointment and duties of a license agent; setting forth certain provisions relating to the issuance of specialty combination hunting and fishing licenses; revising provisions governing fishing in the reciprocal waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead and Lake Mohave; making it unlawful for a person to obtain more than one tag to hunt a moose; revising provisions relating to the submission to the Department of a questionnaire issued as part of a big game tag; requiring a person who wishes to obtain a restricted nonresident deer tag to submit an electronic application provided by the Department; repealing certain provisions relating to license agents, resident and nonresident licenses and permits, stamps to hunt ducks and upland game birds, bonus points and errors committed by the Department; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

The Nevada Legislature recently enacted the provisions of Senate Bill No. 511 of the 79th Legislative Session, which significantly revised the provisions of: (1) chapter 488 of NRS governing the operation, ownership, registration and numbering of vessels in this State; and (2) chapters 502 and 503 of NRS governing the issuance and renewal of licenses, tags and permits to engage in hunting and fishing in this State and the payment of fees for those licenses, tags and permits. (Senate Bill No. 511, chapter 533, Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 3627) The provisions of **sections 1-73** of this regulation set forth various amendments to the existing provisions of regulations adopted by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to carry out the provisions of Senate Bill No. 511 (2017).

Section 1 of this regulation extends the existing authorization of the Department of Wildlife to issue a temporary authorization number for a vessel to situations where the application for a certificate of number for the vessel was made by telephone. **Section 2** of this regulation revises the fees for an aquatic invasive species decal for a motorboat which is owned or operated by a person on the waters of this State. **Section 2** also authorizes the Department to issue a temporary authorization number which is valid for use on the waters of this State if an application for an aquatic invasive species decal was made via the Internet or by telephone. **Section 3** of this regulation specifies that each aquatic invasive decal expires on December 31 of the year in which the Department issues the decal and deletes provisions which require the inclusion of certain information on the decal. **Section 5** of this regulation revises the types of fees which must be deposited and used by the Department to administer a grant program to provide funding for wildlife restoration activities and wildlife research. **Sections 7 and 8** define the terms "client number" and "licensing document" for the purpose of chapter 502 of NAC governing the issuance and renewal of hunting and fishing licenses, tags and permits. **Section 9** sets forth provisions concerning the submission of an application for the issuance of a license, tag, permit or other licensing document, including the information and statements that must be submitted together with the application. **Section 10** of this regulation amends the definition of "big game mammal" to include moose. **Section 11** amends the definition of "Department" to include any independent contractor of the Department who acts on behalf of and under the direction of the Department and any agents or employees of the independent contractor. **Sections 12, 16, 17 and 20** delete the term "stamp" from those sections. **Section 13** amends the definition of "license office" to mean the office of the Department which administers certain programs for wildlife and vessels. **Section 15** revises the manner in which payment must be made for any license, permit, tag, certificate of ownership, certificate of number or any other service provided by the Department. **Section 18** requires all appointed license agents of the Department to participate in the automated licensing system administered by the Department. **Section 19** revises the circumstances under which a person may apply for appointment as a license agent. **Section 21** revises the duties of a license agent concerning the disposition of certain money collected by the license agent. **Section 22** revises the circumstances under which credit may be given to a license agent for printed and voided licensing documents. **Section 23** amends the manner in which a license agent may voluntarily relinquish his or her authority as a license agent. **Section 24** revises the manner in which the Department may cancel a license agent's

authority to act as a license agent. **Section 27** requires an application for a specialty combination hunting and fishing license submitted by a person with a severe physical disability to include a certificate signed by a physician acknowledging that the applicant qualifies for the specialty combination hunting and fishing license. **Section 28** specifies that a mentor hunter affidavit is valid for 1 year beginning on the date which it is completed. **Section 29** authorizes, rather than requires, the Department to charge a nonrefundable fee for acting upon an application for a permit to hunt. **Section 30** revises the types of licenses which are required to fish in the reciprocal waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead and Lake Mohave and deletes certain requirements for the use of a stamp to fish in those waters. **Section 31** makes similar changes to the requirements to fish in Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake. **Section 32** specifies that special fishing permits are valid for 1 year beginning on the date the permit is issued as specified on the permit. **Section 33** deletes certain provisions which require a person to have a stamp or other documentation to use a second combination of hook, line and rod and instead authorizes a person to fish with a second combination of hook, line and rod if he or she is the holder of a Nevada fishing license or permit. **Section 34** requires the Department to issue permits to hunt or fish in accordance with the seasons, quotas and other conditions designated in the annual regulations of the Board of Wildlife Commissioners establishing open seasons. **Section 35** provides that, upon submission of a completed application for a duplicate tag to hunt, a license agent may issue the duplicate tag. **Section 36** makes it unlawful for a person to obtain more than one tag for a moose, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission. **Section 36** also deletes certain other requirements for the issuance of a tag or bonus point. **Section 37** revises certain provisions governing the return of a tag for a refund by a person who serves on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. **Sections 38 and 39** delete certain provisions which require a person to obtain a tag to hunt a mountain goat or mountain lion. **Section 40** deletes certain provisions concerning the use of a form to apply for a tag to hunt turkey. **Section 41** revises the requirements to apply for a permit to hunt swan and the deadline for awarding swan hunt permits. **Section 41** also deletes the requirement for a person to obtain a state duck stamp or other documentation to hunt swan. **Section 42** deletes the requirement that a tag or permit must include the signature of the holder of the tag or permit and the date and time the holder signed the tag or permit. **Sections 44 and 45** revise the requirements for the completion and receipt by the Department of the questionnaire that is issued as part of a big game tag. **Section 47** requires a person who wishes to obtain a tag, permit or bonus point to submit an electronic application to the Department and revises the requirements for the completion of the electronic application. **Section 48** deletes restricted nonresident deer tags from the types of tags for which a person may apply to the Department to obtain a bonus point for a tag. **Section 49** revises the grounds upon which the Department may reject an application to obtain a tag, permit or bonus point and the eligibility of a person to apply for a tag, permit or bonus point if the Department rejects his or her application. **Section 50** revises the circumstances under which residents and nonresidents of this State may apply for tags as one party. **Section 51** expands the categories, subspecies and gender of big game mammals for which the Department is required to award bonus points to include moose. **Section 53** revises the types of third-party errors for which the Department is not responsible in approving an application for the award of a tag, permit or bonus point. **Section 54** revises the circumstances under which the Director of the Department may extend the period for

which a person must submit an electronic application for a tag, permit or bonus point. **Section 55** requires the Department to award a permit to hunt for a season through a random order of selection conducted pursuant to a computerized system of drawing. **Section 56** revises the circumstances under which the Department is required to award tags to refill certain quotas for a season. **Section 57** amends certain provisions governing the return to the Department of a tag to hunt moose. **Section 58** revises the circumstances under which an applicant for a tag may obtain a refund of the fee for his or her hunting license. **Sections 61 and 62** of this regulation revise the circumstances under which: (1) a person may submit an electronic application to obtain a restricted nonresident deer tag; and (2) the Department is required to reject an application for a restricted nonresident deer tag or prohibit a person from submitting the application. **Section 64** revises certain provisions governing the notice that the Department is required to provide concerning the date, time and location of a drawing for the issuance of nonresident deer tags. **Section 65** of this regulation amends certain provisions governing the issuance of a refund for a restricted nonresident deer tag. **Section 66** amends the manner in which a person may apply for a Silver State Tag. **Section 67** deletes the requirement that the alternate list of applicants for the award of a Silver State Tag must consist solely of each applicant who indicated a desire to be placed on the alternate list. **Sections 68 and 69** require: (1) an applicant for a taxidermist license to include his or her physical address, in lieu of his or her residential address, on his or her application for the taxidermist license; and (2) a person who is licensed as a taxidermist to include the physical and mailing address of a person in certain computerized records maintained by the taxidermist. **Section 70** increases the fee for the issuance by the Department of a duplicate certificate of successful completion of a course in the safe handling of firearms. **Section 73** repeals various provisions of chapters 488 and 502 of NAC governing the operation of vessels and the issuance of licenses, tags and permits to hunt and fish in this State. **Sections 4, 43, 51, 59, 60, 63, 71 and 72** make conforming changes which are required to carry out the provisions of this regulation.

Section 1. NAC 488.175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.175 1. Pending the issuance of a certificate of number, the Department may issue a temporary certificate which is valid for not more than 60 days after it is issued.

2. If the application for a certificate of number for a vessel was made via the Internet ~~or~~ *or by telephone*, the Department may issue to the applicant a temporary authorization number that is valid for use of the vessel on the waters of the State for not more than 10 days after the date of issuance.

Sec. 2. NAC 488.523 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.523 1. The amount of the aquatic invasive species fee *for an aquatic invasive species decal* required pursuant to NRS 488.536 is:

(a) For a motorboat which is ~~owned or~~ ^{owned or} operated ~~by a person who is a resident~~ ^{owned or} *on the waters* of this State, ~~10~~ ¹² *annually; and*

(b) For a vessel, other than a motorboat, which is ~~owned or~~ ^{owned or} operated ~~by a person who is a resident~~ ^{owned or} *on the waters* of this State, \$5 ~~;~~

~~(c) For a motorboat which is owned or operated by a nonresident of this State, \$20; and~~

~~(d) For a vessel, other than a motorboat, which is owned or operated by a nonresident of this State, \$10, annually.~~

2. A person who wishes to obtain a replacement aquatic invasive species decal for a lost, stolen, mutilated or destroyed aquatic invasive species decal must pay to the Department a replacement fee of \$5.

3. *If an application for an aquatic invasive species decal was made via the Internet or by telephone, the Department may issue to the applicant a temporary authorization number that is valid for use on the waters of this State for not more than 10 days after the date of issuance.*

Sec. 3. NAC 488.525 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.525 1. *Each aquatic invasive species decal expires on December 31 of the year in which the decal is issued.*

2. The aquatic invasive species decal issued by the Department for an inflatable vessel with an inflatable transom may be attached to a removable plate that is securely attached to the port side transom of the vessel.

~~2~~ 3. Each aquatic invasive species decal issued by the Department:

~~(a) For a vessel which is owned and operated by a resident of this State must be designated with the letter "R" on the face of the decal;~~

~~(b) For a vessel which is owned and operated by a nonresident of this State must be designated with the letters "NR" on the face of the decal;~~

~~(e)~~ Must be approximately 3 inches square; and

~~(d)~~ (b) On and after January 1, 2013, must be issued in an annual rotation of the colors blue, international orange, green and red.

~~3.~~ 4. An aquatic invasive species decal is invalid if the decal has been cut, trimmed or otherwise altered.

~~4.~~ 5. Only ~~an~~ a *valid, unexpired* aquatic species decal issued by the Department ~~for the current calendar year~~ may be displayed on a vessel.

~~5.~~ 6. An aquatic invasive species decal is invalid and must be surrendered to the Department if:

(a) The application submitted to obtain the aquatic invasive species decal contained false or fraudulent information; or

(b) The fee for the issuance of the decal is not paid.

~~6.~~ 7. A manufacturer or dealer must possess an aquatic invasive species decal for each temporary operating permit issued by the Department.

Sec. 4. NAC 501.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.200 1. A person who is convicted of a wildlife violation will be assessed demerit points pursuant to the following schedule:

HUNTING AND TAKING

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Unlawfully shooting at a game mammal or game bird from an aircraft, helicopter or motor-driven vehicle or using such a vehicle to molest, rally, stir up or drive game mammals or game birds	503.010	-----	12
Spotting or locating game mammals or game birds from an aircraft or helicopter and communicating that information to a person on the ground for the purpose of hunting	503.010	-----	12
Unlawfully using information obtained in violation of subsection 3 of NRS 503.010 to hunt or kill game mammals or game birds	503.010	-----	12
Unlawfully using a helicopter to transport game, hunters or hunting equipment	503.010	-----	12
Unlawfully killing or attempting to kill birds or animals from an aircraft.....	503.005	-----	12

HUNTING AND TAKING

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Unlawfully using an aircraft, balloon or satellite to locate or observe big game for the purpose of hunting	501.385	503.148	12
Hunting or taking an endangered species without a special permit	503.585	503.093	12
Unlawfully killing, destroying, wounding, trapping or injuring bald eagles or golden eagles	503.610	-----	12
Unlawfully taking bald eagles or golden eagles	503.620	-----	12
Taking twice the legal limit or more of big game mammals	501.385	-----	12
Hunting or taking a threatened species	501.385	503.093	9
Unlawfully killing a fur-bearing mammal during the closed season	503.440	-----	9
Unlawfully hunting migratory waterfowl by aid of baiting	501.385	503.180	6
Hunting big game mammals during the closed season	503.090	-----	6

HUNTING AND TAKING

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Hunting fur-bearing mammals during the closed season..	501.015	-----	6
Hunting big game mammals in closed areas.....	501.385	504.340	6
Hunting fur-bearing mammals in closed areas	501.385	504.340	6
Unlawfully hunting in a privately owned wildlife			
management area.....	504.140	-----	6
Unlawfully hunting in a state-owned wildlife			
management area.....	504.143	-----	6
Hunting big game mammals or migratory waterfowl			
during prohibited hours.....	503.140	-----	6
Unlawfully hunting game birds or game mammals with			
the aid of artificial light.....	503.150	-----	6
Hunting or taking a sensitive species.....	501.385	503.093	6
Hunting, trapping, possessing or selling birds of prey or			
raptors without a permit	503.582	503.205	6
Hunting alternative livestock	503.242	-----	6

HUNTING AND TAKING

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Taking a game mammal of a prohibited age or with prohibited physical characteristics	501.385	-----	6

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Unlawfully possessing live wildlife that is classified as prohibited	504.295	503.110	12
Unlawfully possessing big game mammals during the closed season.....	503.030	-----	12
Possessing a big game mammal or parts thereof without a tag attached thereto.....	502.150	-----	9

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Possessing twice the legal limit or more of game birds or game mammals, other than big game	501.385	-----	9
Possessing twice the legal limit or more of game fish.....	501.385	-----	9
Unlawfully possessing a fur-bearing mammal during the closed season.....	503.030	-----	9
Possessing game birds or game mammals, other than big game, during the closed season.....	503.030	-----	6
Possessing fish during the closed season.....	503.030	-----	6
Possessing game birds or game mammals, other than big game, in excess of the legal limit but less than twice the legal limit.....	501.385	-----	6
Possessing game fish in excess of the legal limit but less than twice the legal limit.....	501.385	-----	6
Possessing a species that may not legally be possessed without a license or permit.....	501.385	-----	6

TAGS AND SEALS

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Hunting big game or wild turkey without a tag	502.130	-----	9
Unlawfully transferring a tag to another person	502.140	502.385	9
Possessing or using a tag legally issued to another person	502.140	502.385	9
Obtaining tags in excess of the legal limit	502.140	502.331	9
Possessing used tags or tags in excess of the legal limit..	502.150	-----	9
Unlawfully using a tag	502.200	-----	9
Using a tag in an improper area	502.160	502.385	6
Failing to punch a tag properly	502.160	502.390	6
Failing to attach a tag to a big game mammal in the manner prescribed by regulation	502.160	502.400	6
Hunting by a Native American off a Native American reservation without a tag	502.280	-----	6
Possessing fur-bearing mammals, other than a bobcat, without a seal	501.385	-----	6
Possessing the pelt of a bobcat without a seal	501.385	502.347	6

TAGS AND SEALS

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Possessing the hide of a mountain lion without a seal.....	501.385	502.370	6
Possessing the horns of a ram bighorn sheep without a seal or brand	501.385	502.345	6

PERMITS

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Unlawfully importing or transporting a prohibited species of wildlife without a permit or license.....	503.597	503.110	12
Collecting unprotected wildlife for commercial purposes without a permit	501.385	503.095	12
Collecting live bait fish or live aquatic bait for commercial purposes without a permit	501.385	503.513	12

PERMITS

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Collecting unprotected fish for commercial purposes			
without a permit	501.385	503.545	12
Selling live bait without a permit.....	501.379	503.513	6
Conducting a field trial without a permit.....	503.200	503.610	6
Conducting a dredging operation without a permit	503.425	503.810	6
Possessing a raptor without a permit	503.582	503.205	6
Furnishing false information to obtain a permit	502.060	-----	6
Hunting swan without a swan hunt permit	-----	502.380	6
Transferring or giving a swan hunt permit to any other			
person	-----	502.380	6
Using or possessing a swan hunt permit issued to			
another person	-----	502.380	6

FISHING

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Fishing at a fish hatchery or other waters used for the purpose of rearing or growing fish.....	503.360	-----	6

MISCELLANEOUS FISH AND GAME

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Obstructing, hindering or otherwise interfering with an officer, employee or agent of the Department	501.385	-----	12
Unlawfully selling big game mammals	501.379	-----	12
Unlawfully selling an endangered species	501.379	-----	12
Needless waste of big game mammals	503.050	-----	12
Needless waste of game birds or game mammals, other than big game	503.050	-----	9

MISCELLANEOUS FISH AND GAME

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Unlawfully selling a threatened species.....	501.379	----	9
Unlawfully selling game other than big game mammals.....	501.379	----	6
Unlawfully selling a sensitive or protected species	501.379	----	6
Unlawfully selling game fish	501.381	----	6
Needless waste of game fish	503.050	----	6
Unlawfully carrying a loaded rifle or shotgun in vehicle	503.165	----	6
Unlawfully discharging a firearm	503.175	----	6
Failing to retain the cape or scalp and any antlers or horns of wildlife	501.385	503.173	6
Destroying or mutilating signs of the Department.....	501.383	----	6
Polluting water	503.430	----	6
Removing, altering or tampering with a tag placed on wildlife or on seized equipment	501.377	----	6
Commercial taking of crayfish, except in accordance with a permit issued pursuant to NAC 503.540	501.385	503.540	6

MISCELLANEOUS FISH AND GAME

Classification of Violations	NRS	NAC	Demerits
	Section	Section	
Intentionally interfering with a person lawfully hunting or trapping	503.015	-----	6
Hunting or trapping on private property without permission	503.240	-----	6
Failing to make a reasonable effort to retrieve dead or crippled migratory waterfowl.....	501.385	503.180	6

CATEGORY E FELONIES AND
GROSS MISDEMEANORS

Classification of Violations	NRS	NAC	Demerits
	Section	Section	
Conviction of a felony for intentionally killing a big game mammal, including aiding and abetting a person in the commission of the killing	501.376	-----	12

CATEGORY E FELONIES AND
GROSS MISDEMEANORS

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Conviction of a gross misdemeanor for intentionally killing a big game mammal, including aiding and abetting a person in the commission of the killing	501.376	-----	12
Conviction of a gross misdemeanor for willfully possessing an unlawfully killed big game mammal....	501.376	-----	12
Acting as a master guide or subguide without a license ..	504.395	-----	12
Furnishing false information to obtain a big game tag	502.060	-----	12

TRAPPING

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Unlawfully capturing a raptor with a steel leghold trap placed, set or maintained within 30 feet of exposed bait	501.385	503.157	6
Trapping in a closed area	501.385	504.340	6
Unlawfully removing or disturbing a trap lawfully being used by another person.....	503.454	-----	6
Trapping fur-bearing mammals during closed season	503.440	-----	6
Trapping birds of prey or raptors without a permit or by unlawful means	503.582	503.205	6

LICENSES

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Refusing to exhibit a license, wildlife, weapon, ammunition, device or apparatus	502.120	----	12
Hunting without having procured a license	502.010	----	6
Fishing without having procured a license	502.010	----	6
Hunting without a license in possession	502.120	----	6
Fishing without a license in possession	502.120	----	6
Furnishing false information to obtain a license.....	502.060	----	6
Furnishing of false information by a person serving in the Armed Forces of the United States to obtain a <i>specialty combination hunting and fishing</i> license.....	502.290	502.220	6
Unlawfully transferring a license to another person	502.100	----	6
Unlawfully using a license of another person.....	502.100	----	6
Obtaining more than one license of each class	502.110	----	6
Altering a license	502.105	----	6
Practicing falconry without a license	503.583	503.235	6
Operating as a fur dealer without a license	505.010	----	6

LICENSES

Classification of Violations	NRS Section	NAC Section	Demerits
Trapping without having procured a license.....	502.010	-----	6
Taking fur-bearing mammals, trapping unprotected mammals or selling raw furs for profit without having procured a license.....	503.454	-----	6
Trapping without a license in possession.....	502.120	-----	6
Hunting, fishing or trapping using a license that is invalid by reason of expiration or a false statement made to obtain the license	502.060	-----	6
Operating a shooting preserve without a license	504.310	-----	6
Performing taxidermal services without a license	502.370	502.435	6
Obtaining a hunting license without obtaining certification as a responsible hunter	502.360	-----	6

2. A person who is convicted of committing a wildlife violation that does not appear in the schedule set forth in subsection 1 will be assessed 3 demerit points.

3. A person who is convicted of committing a wildlife violation within 60 months after a conviction for the same violation will be assessed double the amount of demerit points listed in the schedule set forth in subsection 1.

4. A person who is convicted of committing any four wildlife violations arising out of separate events within a 60-month period will be assessed an extra 12 demerit points.

Sec. 5. NAC 501.400 is hereby amended to read as follows:

501.400 1. The Department shall administer a grant program to provide funding to facilitate wildlife restoration activities and wildlife research.

2. The Department may solicit applications for grants by giving public notice of the availability of grants and the deadlines. Public notice given pursuant to this section must include, without limitation, the criteria for receiving a grant, reporting and recordkeeping requirements for applicants that have received a grant and any other information relating to the grant program that the Department determines is necessary.

3. An application for a grant may be submitted to the Department by a federal, state or local governmental entity or a private nonprofit organization.

4. The program will be administered with the following money received by the Department:

(a) Federal grants from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the United States Coast Guard, the United States Bureau of Land Management and the United States Bureau of Reclamation pursuant to NRS 501.115 and 501.117;

(b) Money deposited in the Wildlife Heritage Account pursuant to NRS 501.3575;

(c) Money received for Dream Tag fees pursuant to NRS 502.219;

(d) Resource enhancement stamp fees collected pursuant to NRS 502.222;

- (e) ~~{Habitat conservation fees collected pursuant to NRS 502.242;~~
- ~~{(f)}~~ Fees collected for processing applications for game tags pursuant to NRS 502.253;
- ~~{(g) Upland game bird fees collected}~~
- (f) *Fees deposited* pursuant to NRS 502.294;
- ~~{(h) Duck stamp fees collected}~~
- (g) *Fees for any projects for waterfowl deposited* pursuant to NRS ~~{502.300;}~~ 502.310;
- ~~{(i) State trout stamp fees collected}~~
- (h) *Fees for the trout program deposited* pursuant to NRS 502.326;
- ~~{(j)}~~ (i) Permit fees collected pursuant to NRS 502.390; and
- ~~{(k)}~~ (j) If applicable, any other money received for development projects with potential impacts to wildlife as determined by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service or any other agency within the United States Department of the Interior.

Sec. 6. Chapter 502 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 7, 8 and 9 of this regulation.

Sec. 7. *“Client number” means a unique number assigned by the Department which identifies an applicant for a license, tag, permit or other document.*

Sec. 8. *“Licensing document” means a license, tag, permit or other licensing document authorized by the Department.*

Sec. 9. 1. *For each application for the initial issuance of a license, tag, permit or other licensing document, the applicant or license agent shall correctly enter the information required on the application for the license, tag, permit or other licensing document.*

2. *The information required pursuant to subsection 1 must include:*

(a) *The applicant's:*

- (1) *Legal name;*
- (2) *Physical and mailing address;*
- (3) *City, county and state of residence; and*
- (4) *Zip code.*

(b) *The applicant's social security number or, if the applicant is a citizen of a country other than the United States, the passport number issued to the applicant by that country. If the applicant has not been issued a social security number, the application must include a notarized affidavit on a form provided by the Department indicating that the applicant has not been issued a social security number.*

(c) *If the applicant was born after January 1, 1960, and is applying for a hunting license or permit or combination hunting and fishing license, a statement indicating that the applicant has presented proof of successful completion of a course in the responsibilities of hunters pursuant to NRS 502.330.*

(d) *If the applicant is a resident of this State, ^{an attestation of residency per NRS 502.015 by the} ~~the month and year the applicant became a~~ applicant. _{resident.}*

(e) *A description of the applicant, including his or her height, weight, ^{hair color, eye color} gender, and date of birth.*

(f) *The applicant's electronic mail address, if any.*

3. *In addition to the information required pursuant to subsection 2, the applicant must include in his or her application the statement required pursuant to NRS ^{502.030} ~~502.060~~ indicating whether the applicant is entitled to the license, tag, permit or other licensing document. If the*

applicant is at least 12 years of age but less than 18 years of age, the parent or legal guardian of the applicant must, pursuant to NRS 502.060, acknowledge an attached statement indicating that the parent or legal guardian has been advised of the provisions of NRS 41.472.

Sec. 10. NAC 502.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.020 “Big game mammal” means any:

1. Pronghorn antelope, black bear, mule deer, mountain goat, mountain lion, *moose*, Rocky Mountain elk; or

2. Of the following subspecies of bighorn sheep:

(a) Nelson bighorn sheep;

(b) California bighorn sheep; or

(c) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep.

Sec. 11. NAC 502.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.040 “Department” means the Department of Wildlife. *The term includes any independent contractor of the Department acting on behalf of and under the Direction of the Department and any agents or employees of the independent contractor.*

Sec. 12. NAC 502.065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.065 “License agent” means a person who is authorized by the Department to issue licenses, tags, ~~stamps~~ *permits* and other documents authorized by the Department.

Sec. 13. NAC 502.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.080 “License office” means the office which has been created within the ~~Bureau of Administrative Services of the~~ Department to ~~control documents and to~~ administer ~~the license~~

~~agencies.~~ *any programs of the Department relating to the issuance or renewal of licenses, tags or permits to hunt or fish in this State or for the operation of vessels in this State.*

Sec. 14. NAC 502.117 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.117 As used in NRS 502.280, the Commission will interpret “resident Native American” to mean a Native American who is an enrolled member or eligible to become an enrolled member of a Nevada Native American reservation or colony and who has been physically present in this State, with the intention of making this State his or her permanent home, for at least 6 months immediately preceding his or her application for a ~~{free}~~ *specialty combination* hunting and fishing license.

Sec. 15. NAC 502.118 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.118 1. A payment for any license, permit, tag, certificate of ownership, certificate of number or any other service provided by the Department must be:

- (a) Made payable to the Department;
- (b) ~~{The same method of payment for each transaction;~~
- ~~—(e)}~~ In the form of:
 - (1) Cash;
 - (2) A personal check that is drawn by a drawer who is a resident of this State and that includes on the face of the check the address of the drawer in this State;
 - (3) If required by the Department, a cashier’s check, certified check or money order; or
 - (4) If an application for the service is submitted electronically, an electronic method of payment that is specified by the Department; and
- ~~{(d)}~~ (c) Paid in United States currency.

2. The Department shall not accept the following forms of payment:

(a) A check or draft that does not comply with subparagraph (2) of paragraph ~~(e)~~ (b) of subsection 1; *or*

(b) A check or draft that is endorsed to a third party, ~~or~~

~~(c) A check for a refund that is issued by the Department, if the check is endorsed for payment to the Department.]~~

3. The Department may, in accordance with NRS 353.1465, charge and collect a fee:

(a) Of \$2 for an application for a resident tag or bonus point;

(b) Of \$3.50 for an application for a nonresident tag or bonus point; and

(c) Of \$2 for any other application,

↳ that is submitted to the Department electronically.

Sec. 16. NAC 502.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.120 The license office may authorize a license agent to issue:

1. Licenses, tags, ~~stamps and~~ permits *and other licensing documents* on the basis of requests, public demand and past sales.

2. Duplicates of original licenses.

Sec. 17. NAC 502.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.125 It is unlawful for any person to issue a license, tag, ~~stamp,~~ permit or other document authorized by the Department unless the person:

1. Is a license agent, an employee of a license agent or an employee of the Department;

2. Is authorized by the Department to issue the document; and

3. Issues the document in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Sec. 18. NAC 502.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.140 1. The Department will appoint such license agents as are necessary to provide readily available service to the ~~{hunting, fishing and trapping}~~ public.

2. A license agent appointed ~~†~~:

~~—(a) On or after January 21, 2003,† pursuant to subsection 1 must participate in the automated licensing system administered by the Department and:~~

~~{(1)}~~ **(a)** Complete such training as the Department determines to be necessary for that participation; *and*

~~{(2)}~~ **(b)** Obtain and maintain at his or her own expense such a communication line as the Department determines to be necessary for that participation . ~~†; and~~

~~—(3) Pay any expenses incurred by the Department to install and set up any other equipment required for that participation.~~

~~—(b) Before January 21, 2003, must, except for good cause as determined by the Department, participate in the automated licensing system administered by the Department and:~~

~~—(1) Complete such training as the Department determines to be necessary for that participation; and~~

~~—(2) Obtain and maintain at his or her own expense such a communication line as the Department determines to be necessary for that participation.†~~

3. The Department shall, at its own expense and on behalf of a license agent who pursuant to this ~~{paragraph}~~ *subsection* participates in the automated licensing system administered by the Department, install and set up any other equipment required for that participation.

Sec. 19. NAC 502.145 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.145 1. Any person may apply for appointment as a license agent by submitting a:

- (a) Completed application on forms provided by the Department; and
- (b) Fee of \$100 for processing the application.

2. ~~If the application for appointment as a license agent is approved, the application fee will be applied to reduce the installation and set-up fees described in NAC 502.140.~~

~~3.~~ The Department may require an applicant to provide:

- (a) Evidence of the financial ability of the applicant to perform the duties of a license agent;
- (b) An original copy of the current credit rating of the applicant as issued by a credit rating agency recognized by the Department; and

(c) Any banking information and evidence of binding authority necessary for the electronic transfer of any money the applicant may receive from the sale of any licenses, permits, tags, stamps and other documents authorized by the Department to a bank account designated by the Department.

~~4.~~ 3. The applicant must show that the major portion of his or her business will be conducted in a permanent building. The building must have within it a secure place for keeping the Department's ~~licenses, permits, tags, stamps~~ *equipment, licensing documents* and sales records. Documents authorized by the Department may only be issued from this permanent building unless prior approval is given by the Department for the issuance of such documents at another location.

~~5.~~ 4. The Department will conduct an investigation of each applicant's qualifications and suitability to serve the public as a license agent. If the Department finds that any of the information on the application is false or misleading, the application will be denied.

~~{6.}~~ 5. The Department will require an approved applicant to enter into a contract with the Department. A person may not become a license agent until the contract is signed by both him or her and the Department.

Sec. 20. NAC 502.147 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.147 ~~{1.}~~ To determine whether to approve or deny an application for appointment as a license agent, the Department may consider, without limitation, the following criteria:

- ~~{a)}~~ 1. Whether the applicant has met the bonding requirements of NAC 502.150.
- ~~{b)}~~ 2. Whether the applicant is financially responsible.
- ~~{c)}~~ 3. Whether the applicant has provided the banking information and binding authority necessary for the electronic transfer of any money the applicant may receive from the sale of any licenses, permits, tags ~~{, stamps}~~ and other documents authorized by the Department to a bank account designated by the Department.
- ~~{d)}~~ 4. Whether the applicant has been convicted of a violation of a law or regulation relating to wildlife within the 5 years immediately preceding the date on which the applicant submits the application.
- ~~{e)}~~ 5. Whether the applicant is under investigation for a violation of a law or regulation relating to wildlife at the time he or she submits the application.
- ~~{f)}~~ 6. Whether the applicant has been convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor.
- ~~{g)}~~ 7. Whether the applicant is the subject of felony criminal proceedings at the time he or she submits the application.
- ~~{h)}~~ 8. Whether the applicant has been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude.
- ~~{i)}~~ 9. The cooperation of the applicant and his or her employees.

~~(j)~~ **10.** Characteristics of the business where the applicant desires to issue licenses, including, without limitation:

~~(1)~~ **(a)** Accessibility of the business to all segments of the public;

~~(2)~~ **(b)** The number of license agents in the geographical area and their proximity to the business;

~~(3)~~ **(c)** The remoteness of the area in which the business is located;

~~(4)~~ **(d)** The hours the business will be open to the public;

~~(5)~~ **(e)** The number of times the ownership of the business has been transferred; and

~~(6)~~ **(f)** The need for a license agent, as determined by the Department, in the general area of the business.

~~(k)~~ **11.** If the applicant previously was a license agent:

~~(1)~~ **(a)** The total number of licenses sold by the applicant while he or she was a license agent;

~~(2)~~ **(b)** Whether the applicant complied with all laws and regulations relating to a license agent; and

~~(3)~~ **(c)** Whether the applicant was placed on probation or had his or her authority as a license agent cancelled pursuant to NAC 502.195.

~~(h)~~ **12.** If the applicant will replace an agent at the business where the applicant desires to issue licenses:

~~(1)~~ **(a)** The total number of licenses sold by the license agent who will be replaced;

~~(2)~~ **(b)** Whether the license agent who will be replaced complied with all laws and regulations relating to a license agent; and

~~{(3)}~~ (c) Whether the license agent who will be replaced was placed on probation or had his or her authority as a license agent cancelled pursuant to NAC 502.195.

~~{2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if an applicant desires to issue licenses at a business where licenses have not been issued previously, the business must have been established for at least 1 year. The Department may waive this requirement for an applicant whose business is located in a remote area if there is an extreme need for an agent in that area. All other applications will be handled on a case by case basis in accordance with subsection 1.}~~

Sec. 21. NAC 502.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.160 1. ~~{Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, a}~~ A license agent shall, as specified by the Department ~~{:~~

~~—(a) Forward}~~ , *forward* to the license office ~~{; or~~

~~—(b) Deposit at least once every 7 days}~~ for electronic transfer to a bank account designated by the Department ~~{;~~

~~→}~~ any money collected by the license agent, excluding any service fees to which the license agent is entitled, for the sale and issuance of any licenses, permits, tags ~~{; stamps}~~ and other documents authorized by the Department.

2. If a ~~{manual}~~ license agent fails to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 regarding all the money due , ~~{for the period covered by a batch report on or before the date that batch report is due, or an automated license agent fails to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 regarding all the money due for a calendar week on or before the Wednesday immediately following that calendar week,}~~ the Department:

(a) Shall send a notice of delinquency to the license agent; and

(b) ~~If the license agent is:~~

~~(1) A manual license agent, shall not send any more licenses, permits, tags, stamps or other licensing documents to the license agent until all the money due has been received by the Department; or~~

~~(2) An automated license agent, shall~~ **May** terminate the ability of the license agent to issue licenses, permits, tags, ~~{stamps}~~ or other ~~{licensing}~~ documents until all the money due has been received by the Department.

3. If the license ~~{office, after receiving a batch report from a manual license agent, determines that a balance is due as reflected on the agent's statement of account, the balance must be paid by the agent within 10 calendar days after receipt of the statement of account by the agent.~~

~~4. If a license~~ agent's ~~{statement of}~~ account reflects a credit owing to the agent, the ~~[agent]~~ ^{Department} may deduct the credit from the amount owed for the next reporting period.

~~{5-}~~ 4. All money collected by a license agent from the sale and issuance of any licenses, permits, tags, ~~{stamps}~~ and other documents authorized by the Department, except the agent's service fees, is the property of the State of Nevada and must be kept readily available for forwarding or electronic transfer to the Department. All equipment and documents provided to a license agent by the Department and any records regarding the sale or issuance of any licenses, permits, tags, ~~{stamps}~~ and other documents authorized by the Department are the property of the State of Nevada and must be made available for inspection and audit upon request by the Department.

Sec. 22. NAC 502.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.180 ~~{-}~~ Credit may be given to ~~[-]~~

~~—(a) A manual license agent for licenses, permits and tags that have been voided if the agent returns to the Department the original and remittance copy of the license, permit or tag with the word “void” written across it.~~

~~—(b) An automated~~ **a** license agent for licensing documents that have been printed and voided ~~[if the agent submits the original voided document to the Department.~~

~~—2. Credit may be given to any license agent for stamps that are returned to the Department with the word “void” written across the face.~~

~~—3. If a manual license agent declares that a document is void but has not submitted both the original and remittance copy of the document, the license agent will be sent a notification of incomplete documents. If the license agent does not substantiate that the document is void within 60 days after receiving such notification, the agent will be assessed the value of the document as determined in the manner provided in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of subsection 3 of NAC 502.185.~~

~~—4. If the Department does not receive an original voided document from an automated license agent within 10 days after the date of the transaction for which the document was printed, the agent will be assessed the recorded value of the document.]~~ **within 24 hours after the sale of the licensing document.**

Sec. 23. NAC 502.192 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.192 ~~{-}~~ A license agent may voluntarily relinquish his or her authority or the Department may cancel his or her authority pursuant to NAC 502.195. All ~~[sold, unsold and void documents are]~~ **and** *licensing documents* ~~equipment provided by the Department to the license agent~~ **are** ~~[is]~~ subject to

immediate recall upon ~~the~~ *the* license agent's notification to the Department that the license agent has voluntarily relinquished his or her authority or upon the Department's notification to the agent of its cancellation of his or her authority.

~~2.— Credit will be given for unsold documents returned to the Department within 30 days after the notice of voluntary relinquishment of authority or the Department's notice of cancellation of authority.~~

~~3.— Thirty days after the notice of voluntary relinquishment of authority or the Department's notice of cancellation of authority the license agent will be assessed a fee for each recalled document not returned in an amount determined pursuant to NAC 502.185.~~

Sec. 24. NAC 502.195 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.195 ~~1.~~ The Department may:

~~(a)~~ 1. Place a license agent on probation for not more than 6 months or cancel a license agent's authority if the Department determines that the agent has violated any of the provisions of the agent's contract or has failed to comply with any regulation of the Commission relating to license agents.

~~(b)~~ 2. Cancel a license agent's authority at the end of a ~~licensing~~ *calendar* year if the license agent ~~is~~:

~~(1) Is located in an incorporated city and fails to sell;~~

~~(1) At least 300 licensing documents during his or her first year of appointment as a license agent; and~~

~~(II) At least 600 licensing documents during his or her second and each subsequent year of appointment as a license agent; or~~

~~— (2) Is not located in an incorporated city and fails to sell:~~

~~— (I) At least 100 licensing documents during his or her first year of appointment as a license agent; and~~

~~— (II) At least 200 licensing documents during his or her second and each subsequent year of appointment as a license agent.~~

~~— 2. As used in this section, “licensing document” means a license, permit, tag, stamp or other licensing document authorized by the Department.~~ *fails to sell at least 100 licensing documents per calendar year.*

Sec. 25. NAC 502.211 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.211 Upon the written request of a person who has obtained a license, permit, tag or other ~~{privilege}~~ *licensing document* from the Department pursuant to title 45 of NRS, or any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, the Department shall remove the name and other personal information of the person from any list sold by the Department.

Sec. 26. NAC 502.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.220 ~~{Licenses}~~ *A specialty combination hunting and fishing license* must be issued, pursuant to NRS 502.290, ^{*for a fee of \$15*} to members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are bona fide residents of Nevada, but not stationed in this State. An applicant must exhibit evidence of his or her duty assignment or show leave papers to the license agent before a license is issued to the applicant.

NAC 502.245 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 27. NAC 502.245 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.245 An application for a *specialty combination* hunting ~~{or}~~ and fishing license ~~for a combined hunting and fishing license~~ for a person with a severe physical disability must be submitted to the Department. The application must be made on a form provided by the Department and must contain such information as is necessary to enable the Department to determine the applicant's eligibility. The application must be accompanied by ~~reasonable proof which describes the character and extent of the applicant's disability.~~ *a certificate signed by a physician acknowledging that the applicant qualifies for the specialty combination hunting and fishing license pursuant to NRS 502.240.*

Sec. 28. NAC 502.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.265 A mentor hunter affidavit is valid for ~~the license~~ 1 year ~~for~~ *beginning on the date* which it is completed.

Sec. 29. NAC 502.282 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.282 1. The Department may award a permit for a season or special use through a random order of selection conducted pursuant to a computerized system of drawing. The selection must begin with a number established by the hours, minutes, seconds and hundredths of a second set forth on the clock of the computer immediately before commencing the drawing.

2. An application for a permit to hunt must be:

(a) Completed in accordance with the regulations of the Commission and the instructions on the application.

(b) Made for one applicant only. If two or more persons apply on one application, the application must be rejected.

3. A nonrefundable fee in the amount of \$10 ~~{with}~~ *may* be charged for acting upon each application for a permit pursuant to this section.

Sec. 30. NAC 502.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.285 1. When fishing in the reciprocal waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead and Lake Mohave ~~{from the shore of}~~ *which form the mutual boundary between Arizona and Nevada*, each person who is 12 years of age or over must possess:

- (a) An Arizona fishing license;
- (b) A Nevada fishing license ~~{}~~ *or permit*; or
- (c) A Nevada Interstate Boundary Waters license.

~~2. {When fishing in the reciprocal waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead and Lake Mohave from a location other than the shore of Nevada, each person who is 12 years of age or over must possess:~~

~~—(a) An Arizona fishing license; or~~

~~—(b) A Nevada Colorado River special use stamp, in addition to:~~

~~——(1) A Nevada fishing license; or~~

~~——(2) A Nevada Interstate Boundary Waters license.~~

~~—3. The fee for the Nevada Colorado River special use stamp is \$3, and the stamp is effective from March of the year that the stamp is issued through February of the following year.~~

~~—4. A person who holds a Nevada Colorado River special use stamp must validate the stamp by signing the person's name in ink across the face of the stamp and affixing the stamp to his or her fishing license or permit to fish, or the person must provide any other such documentation as~~

~~the Department provides as proof that he or she has paid to the Department the fee for the special use stamp.~~

~~5. Persons~~ *A person who is* under 12 years of age may fish in the reciprocal waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead and Lake Mohave *which form the mutual boundary between Arizona and Nevada* without obtaining a ~~{special use stamp,}~~ license or permit to fish.

Sec. 31. NAC 502.286 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.286 1. To fish in Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake, any person who is 16 years of age or over must possess:

- (a) A license from California to fish for sport with the appropriate stamps; ~~{or}~~
- (b) A Nevada fishing license or ~~{a}~~ *permit; or*
- (c) *A Nevada Interstate Boundary Waters license .* ~~{and, if the license is an annual license, a trout stamp.}~~

2. ~~{Persons}~~ *A person who is* under 16 years of age ~~{are}~~ *is* not required to obtain any license or permit to fish in Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake.

Sec. 32. NAC 502.295 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.295 Special fishing permits ~~{expire on the last day of February of each year.}~~ *are valid for 1 year beginning on the date the permit is issued as specified on the permit.*

Sec. 33. NAC 502.297 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.297 1. A person may fish with a second combination of hook, line and rod if the person ~~{:~~

~~(a) Has:~~

~~— (1) A stamp for a second rod, validated by the person's signature in ink across the face of the stamp, affixed to his or her fishing license or permit to fish; or~~

~~— (2) Any other such documentation as the Department provides as proof that the person has paid to the Department, for the licensing period that includes the time he or she is fishing, the fee to use a second rod; and~~

~~— (b) Complies with the provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 503.290.]~~ *is the holder of a Nevada fishing license or permit.*

2. No person may use more than two combinations of hook, line and rod at any time.

Sec. 34. NAC 502.310 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.310 Tags *and permits* must be issued in accordance with the seasons, quotas and other conditions designated in the annual regulations establishing open seasons.

Sec. 35. NAC 502.314 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.314 1. An application for a duplicate tag must be made as provided in NRS 502.210 on a form provided by the Department.

2. Upon submission of a completed application for a duplicate tag, a duplicate tag may be purchased ~~[at any office of]~~ *from* the Department ~~[that]~~ *or a license agent who* issues duplicate tags.

Sec. 36. NAC 502.331 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.331 1. Unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, it is unlawful for any person to obtain more than one tag for an antelope, any subspecies of bighorn sheep, a black bear, *a moose*, an elk or a mountain goat for a season.

2. An application for a tag or bonus point must be:

(a) Completed in accordance with the regulations of the Commission, ~~and the instructions on the application.~~

(b) Made for one applicant only. ~~If two or more persons apply on one application, the application must be rejected.~~

3. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4292, the following nonrefundable fees must be charged for acting upon each application for a tag or bonus point:

- (a) Elk tag..... \$15
- (b) Any other tag, other than a mountain lion tag..... 10
- (c) Bonus point..... 10

Sec. 37. NAC 502.336 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.336 1. A person who receives a ~~big~~ game tag and who, after receiving the tag, is mobilized or deployed while serving on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States may:

- (a) Return the tag for a refund as provided in NAC 502.422; and
- (b) Request that, without entering the drawing for ~~big~~ game tags, the privilege to hunt during the season for which the tag is issued be deferred for an identical privilege for not more than 2 successive years during which the hunting season for the identical privilege is open. The person must exercise the privilege during the 2 successive years. If the person did not go hunting under the authority of a hunting license issued to him or her for the hunt year in which the tag was issued, the person may return the hunting license for a refund.

2. To be eligible to defer the privilege to use a ~~big~~ game tag pursuant to subsection 1, the person must:

- (a) Provide a copy of the person's orders or other proof satisfactory to the Department;
- (b) Submit a written request to the Department to defer the privilege pursuant to subsection 1 together with the request for a refund pursuant to NAC 502.422;
- (c) Return the tag and, if applicable, the hunting license to the Department:
 - (1) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (2), before the opening day of the season for which the tag was issued; or
 - (2) Before the close of the season for which the tag was issued, if the person provides proof satisfactory to the Department that he or she was mobilized or deployed before the opening day of the season for which the tag was issued and had no opportunity to hunt under the authority of the tag; and
- (d) Submit to the Department:
 - (1) The appropriate fee for the issuance of a ~~big~~ game tag and a hunting license, if applicable; and
 - (2) The nonrefundable application fee and predator fee for the tag.

3. The Department shall not issue a license or tag pursuant to this section unless the Department receives the fees specified in paragraph (d) of subsection 2.

Sec. 38. NAC 502.364 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.364 1. ~~Before a person may hunt a mountain goat, he or she must obtain a tag from the Department.~~ Except as otherwise provided by a regulation of the Commission or title 45 of NRS, a person may apply for a mountain goat tag in any year if, in the immediately preceding 10 years, he or she did not receive a tag or replacement tag for a mountain goat.

2. A person who harvests a mountain goat shall, within 5 days after harvesting it, personally present the skull, hide and any edible portion of the animal, or its carcass, to a representative of the Department for inspection.

Sec. 39. NAC 502.370 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.370 1. ~~{A tag is required to hunt a mountain lion.}~~ Unless otherwise specified by a regulation of the Commission or title 45 of NRS, any resident of Nevada or nonresident is eligible to obtain not more than two mountain lion tags in any year. A mountain lion tag:

- (a) May be purchased from the Department or a license agent;
- (b) May be used in any management unit or group of management units in Nevada during any open season established for the management unit or group of management units pursuant to subsection 2; and
- (c) Expires upon the termination of all the open seasons established pursuant to subsection 2 for the year for which the tag is issued.

2. The Commission will annually specify the number of mountain lions it determines to be appropriate for harvesting in a management unit or group of management units. The open season for mountain lions in each such management unit or group of management units begins on March 1 and ends on:

- (a) The last day of the next succeeding February; or
- (b) The day the Department determines that the number of mountain lions harvested in that management unit or group of management units is equal to or greater than the number specified by the Commission pursuant to this subsection,

↳ whichever occurs earlier. The Department shall maintain and annually publish a toll-free telephone number for ascertaining whether the Department has determined that the number of mountain lions harvested in a management unit or group of management units is equal to or greater than the number specified by the Commission pursuant to this subsection. The Department is not required to provide any other notice of the termination of an open season for mountain lions in a management unit or group of management units.

3. A person who harvests a mountain lion shall, within 72 hours after harvesting it, personally present the skull and hide to a representative of the Department for inspection. The representative shall affix the seal of the Department permanently to the hide.

4. It is unlawful for any person to:

(a) Transport the hide of a mountain lion from this State without the seal required pursuant to this section permanently affixed to the hide.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, possess the hide of a mountain lion without a seal permanently attached to it.

(c) Kill a female mountain lion which is accompanied by a spotted kitten.

(d) Kill or possess a spotted mountain lion kitten.

5. If a mountain lion is accidentally trapped or killed, the person trapping or killing it shall report the trapping or killing within 48 hours to a representative of the Department. The animal must be disposed of in accordance with the instructions of the representative.

Sec. 40. NAC 502.378 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.378 1. A tag is required to hunt wild turkey. The fee for a resident tag is \$20. The fee for a nonresident tag is \$50. In addition, a nonrefundable fee in the amount set forth in

subsection 3 of NAC 502.331 will be charged for acting upon each application for a tag. ~~{A person may obtain a form to apply for a tag from a license agent or an office of the Department. The form must be completed in accordance with the instructions on the form. The}~~ *Except as otherwise provided in regulations adopted by the Commission, the* award of these tags by the Department will be based on a drawing held after the deadline ~~{specified on the form.}~~ *established by the Commission for the drawing.*

2. A person, while hunting wild turkey, shall have in his or her possession:

- (a) A valid hunting license; and
- (b) A valid tag to hunt wild turkey issued to the person.

3. A hunter who has killed a wild turkey and taken it into his or her possession shall immediately punch the tag and attach it to the body of the turkey as required by NAC 502.390 and 502.400.

Sec. 41. NAC 502.380 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.380 1. A permit is required to hunt swan. The fee for the permit is \$10. A person must apply for the permit on a form provided by the Department. The form must be completed in accordance with ~~{the instructions thereon.}~~ *regulations adopted by the Commission.* Award of the swan hunt permits by the Department will be based on a drawing held after the ~~{date specified on the form.}~~ *deadline established in an annual regulation of the Commission.*

2. Each person, while hunting swan, shall carry on his or her person a:

- (a) Hunting license *or permit* issued by the Department, unless the person is ~~{a resident of this State who is}~~ under the age of 12 years ; ~~{, or a nonresident permit to hunt upland game and migratory game birds;}~~

(b) Swan hunt permit issued by the Department; *and*

~~(c) State duck stamp, or any other such documentation as the Department provides as proof that the person has paid to the Department the fee for the state duck stamp, unless the person is under the age of 12 years or 65 years of age or older; and~~

~~(d)~~ Federal migratory bird hunting stamp, or any other such documentation as the Federal Government provides as proof that the person has paid to the Federal Government the fee for the federal migratory bird hunting stamp, unless the person is not subject to the payment of the fee.

3. When a hunter has killed a swan and taken it into his or her possession, the hunter shall:

(a) Immediately punch and attach the swan hunt permit in the manner required by NAC 502.390 and 502.400; and

(b) Except as otherwise provided by an order or regulation of the Commission, not later than 5 days after the hunter has killed and taken the swan into his or her possession, submit the head and neck of the swan to a representative of the Department for inspection at a location designated by the Department. The Department shall provide a list of the locations upon the issuance of the swan hunt permit.

4. A person shall not use or possess a swan hunt permit issued to any other person, or transfer or give a swan hunt permit issued to him or her to any other person.

Sec. 42. NAC 502.385 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.385 1. The tag or permit must ~~+~~

~~(a) Include, in the space provided on the tag or permit, the signature of the holder of the tag or permit and the date on which and time at which the holder signed the tag or permit; and~~

~~(b) Be~~ *be* carried by the holder at all times while the holder is hunting or trapping or while he or she is fishing for wildlife for which a tag or permit is required.

2. It is unlawful for any person to:

- (a) Use or possess a tag or permit issued to any other person;
- (b) Transfer or give a tag or permit issued to him or her to any other person;
- (c) Use any tag or permit in a management area or unit for which it is not intended; or
- (d) Use a tag or permit at any time other than at the time intended.

3. After it has been issued, a tag or permit may not be exchanged or a refund made except in accordance with the policies and regulations of the Commission.

Sec. 43. NAC 502.401 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.401 1. A person to whom a game tag has been lawfully issued may use his or her game tag as a transportation permit in the manner described in this section if:

(a) ~~Pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NAC 502.385, the~~ *The* game tag includes the signature of the holder of the game tag and the date on which and time at which the holder signed the game tag;

(b) The game tag has been validated pursuant to NAC 502.390; and

(c) The game tag has been attached to the carcass, hide or pelt of the animal pursuant to NAC 502.400.

2. The holder of the game tag, the person who will transport the carcass, hide or pelt of the animal and a witness each shall, at the time the carcass, hide or pelt is transferred from the holder of the game tag to the person who will transport the carcass, hide or pelt:

(a) Sign the portion of the game tag designated as the tag holder copy of the transportation permit and the portion of the game tag designated as the transporter copy of the transportation permit; and

(b) Include on each portion of the game tag described in paragraph (a):

(1) The date and time that the carcass, hide or pelt of the animal is transferred from the holder of the game tag to the person who will transport the carcass, hide or pelt of the animal; and

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, his or her driver's license number or the number of any other identification card issued by a governmental agency to the person.

3. If the holder of the game tag, the person who will transport the carcass, hide or pelt of the animal or the witness does not have a driver's license or any other identification card issued by a governmental agency, he or she shall include on each portion of the game tag described in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 his or her date of birth.

4. In addition to the requirements of subsections 2 and 3, the holder of the game tag shall include on each portion of the game tag described in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 the destination of the carcass, hide or pelt being transported.

5. A person who provides a signature pursuant to this section shall be deemed to have attested, under penalty of perjury, to the transfer of the carcass, hide or pelt of the animal from the holder of the game tag to the person who will transport the carcass, hide or pelt.

6. A person shall not remove from the carcass, hide or pelt of an animal either portion of the game tag described in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 until the carcass, hide or pelt has been

transferred from the holder of the game tag to the person who will transport the carcass, hide or pelt.

7. The holder of the game tag shall retain the portion of the game tag designated as the tag holder copy of the transportation permit and the person who transports the carcass, hide or pelt shall retain the portion of the game tag designated as the transporter copy of the transportation permit for at least 1 year after the date that the carcass, hide or pelt of the animal is transferred from the holder of the game tag to the person who transports the carcass, hide or pelt.

8. If the carcass, hide or pelt of an animal is transferred from the holder of a game tag to a person who will transport the carcass, hide or pelt, that portion of the cape or scalp of the animal which includes the ears to the base of the muzzle and any antlers or horns must be kept with the carcass, hide or pelt until the carcass, hide or pelt is frozen, smoked, dried, consumed or accepted by a commercial processing plant for processing.

Sec. 44. NAC 502.405 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.405 1. Unless otherwise provided by an annual regulation of the Commission, the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of a big game tag or the information required by the questionnaire must be received by the ~~{independent contractor designated by the}~~ Department not later than ~~{5 p.m. on January 31, or the next business day if January 31 falls on a weekend or state holiday, following the close of the season for which the tag was issued.}~~ *the deadline established in an annual regulation of the Commission.*

2. ~~{The Department shall annually designate and publish the name and address of an independent contractor who will receive the questionnaire or the information required by the questionnaire pursuant to subsection 1.}~~

~~3.~~ A person who fails to return the questionnaire or the information required by the questionnaire ~~{within}~~ ^{on or} before the ~~{period-specified}~~ deadline or who submits incomplete or false information on the questionnaire will be denied all big game tags for 1 year. A person who ~~{has been denied}~~ is ineligible for a big game tag pursuant to this subsection may have those privileges reinstated if the person:

(a) ~~{Using a postal service:~~

~~(1)~~ Pays to the Department an administrative fine of \$50; and

~~(2)~~ (b) Submits to the ~~{independent contractor designated by the}~~ Department the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the big game tag or the information required by the questionnaire, all of which must be received ~~{by the third Friday in March; or~~

~~(b) Together with an application that is submitted electronically for a big game tag in the main draw:~~

~~(1) Pays to the Department an administrative fine of \$50; and~~

~~(2) Submits to the independent contractor designated by the Department the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the big game tag or the information required by the questionnaire} on or before the deadline for the application for the main draw.~~

~~{4. The Department shall allow an applicant to correct a questionnaire if:~~

~~(a) The independent contractor receives the questionnaire and enters the information on the questionnaire into the computer;~~

~~(b) The questionnaire contains an error that causes the computer to send to the applicant a letter of rejection and blank correction document; and~~

~~—(e) The independent contractor receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document.~~

~~—5. If the independent contractor receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the independent contractor shall use the information contained in the correction document to update the applicant's file on the computer.~~

~~—6. If the applicant submits a correction document that does not contain information sufficient to correct every error in the questionnaire or the correction document is not received by the independent contractor on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the questionnaire will be considered incomplete pursuant to subsection 3.]~~

Sec. 45. NAC 502.407 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.407 1. Unless otherwise provided by an annual regulation of the Commission, the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of a turkey tag must be received by the ~~[independent contractor designated by the]~~ Department not later than ~~{5}~~ 11 p.m. on:

(a) May 31, or the next business day if May 31 falls on a weekend or state holiday, following the close of the season for the spring hunt for turkey; or

(b) November 30, or the next business day if November 30 falls on a weekend or state holiday, following the close of the season for the fall hunt for turkey.

2. ~~{The Department shall annually designate and publish the name and address of an independent contractor who will receive the questionnaire pursuant to subsection 1.~~

~~—3.]~~ A person who fails to return the questionnaire or the information required by the questionnaire within the period specified or who submits incomplete or false information on the questionnaire ~~{will be denied}~~ *is ineligible for* all turkey tags for 1 year.

~~{4.}~~ 3. A person who ~~{has been denied}~~ *is ineligible for* a tag pursuant to subsection ~~{3}~~ 2 may have those privileges reinstated if the person:

- (a) Pays to the Department an administrative fine of \$50; and
- (b) Submits to the ~~{independent contractor designated by the}~~ Department the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the turkey tag or the information required by the questionnaire.

~~{5.}~~ 4. A person who seeks to have privileges reinstated pursuant to the provisions of subsection ~~{4}~~ 3 must perform the actions specified in that subsection not later than ~~{5}~~ 11 p.m. on:

- (a) June 30, or the next business day if June 30 falls on a weekend or state holiday, following the close of the spring hunt for turkey; or
- (b) December 31, or the next business day if December 31 falls on a weekend or state holiday, following the close of the fall hunt for turkey.

~~{6. The Department shall allow an applicant to correct a questionnaire if:~~

- ~~—(a) The independent contractor receives the questionnaire and enters the information on the questionnaire into the computer;~~
- ~~—(b) The questionnaire contains an error that causes the computer to send to the applicant a letter of rejection and blank correction document; and~~
- ~~—(c) The independent contractor receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document.~~

~~7. If the independent contractor receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the independent contractor shall use the information contained in the correction document to update the applicant's file on the computer.~~

~~8. If the applicant submits a correction document that does not contain information sufficient to correct every error in the questionnaire or the correction document is not received by the independent contractor on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the questionnaire will be considered incomplete pursuant to subsection 3.]~~

Sec. 46. NAC 502.417 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.417 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the provisions of NAC ~~{502.416}~~ **502.417** to 502.4225, inclusive, apply to the processing of:

1. Applications to obtain tags *or permits* as provided in NRS 502.130; and
2. Applications to obtain bonus points for tags as provided in NRS 502.130.

Sec. 47. NAC 502.4175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4175 1. ~~{A}~~ *Except as otherwise authorized by the Commission, a person desiring to obtain a tag, permit or a bonus point without the opportunity to obtain a tag must ~~{apply to the Department on a form}~~ submit an **electronic application** provided by the Department. ~~{that includes spaces for the applicant to:}~~ **In addition to any information required pursuant to section 9 of this regulation, the application must:***

(a) Specify ~~{his or her name, address and date of birth;}~~ *whether the applicant is a resident or nonresident of this State;*

(b) Specify the species or category of species for which the applicant is applying;

(c) If the applicant is applying for a tag to hunt deer, bear, elk, antelope, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, *moose* or wild turkey, ~~{select}~~ *include a selection of* not more than five hunter choice numbers; and

(d) ~~{Sign the application or, if the application is submitted electronically, acknowledge}~~ *Set forth an acknowledgement of* the affidavit that is included in the application provided by the Department.

2. A person who desires to be placed on an alternate list pursuant to NAC 502.421 or 502.4275 must apply to the Department electronically to obtain a tag and must indicate on the electronic application his or her desire to be placed on an alternate list.

3. If an applicant desiring to obtain a bonus point without the opportunity to obtain a tag specifies a hunter choice number on his or her application, the Department shall ignore the specification of the hunter choice number by the applicant and process the application for the bonus point.

4. ~~{An application must include the applicant's social security number, or a unique number will be assigned by the Department.}~~

~~—5.}~~ The Commission will establish the seasons and quotas for a hunt, and the method for submission and deadline for receipt of applications.

~~{6.}~~ 5. An applicant must obtain a valid hunting license *or combination hunting and fishing license* before submitting his or her application for a tag, *permit* or bonus point, except that an applicant may apply for a hunting license when submitting the application for a tag, *permit* or bonus point. ~~{if the applicant is:~~

~~—(a) A resident who submits the applications electronically pursuant to subsection 8; or~~

~~—(b) A nonresident who submits the applications pursuant to subsection 7 or 8.~~

~~—7. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, an application for a tag or bonus point must be accompanied by:~~

~~—(a) The appropriate fee for the tag, as provided in NRS 502.250, if the application is for a tag;~~

~~—(b) The fee for a hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the applicant is a nonresident who submits the application for a tag or bonus point and has not obtained a hunting license;~~

~~—(c) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the applicant is a nonresident who submits the application for a tag or bonus point and has not obtained a hunting license;~~

~~—(d) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat; and~~

~~—(e) The applicable fee required pursuant to NAC 502.331 for the Department to act upon the application. The Department shall apply the proceeds of the fee to the cost of processing applications, conducting drawings for tags, awarding bonus points and performing such related activities as the Commission may direct.~~

~~—8. If a resident or nonresident applicant submits the~~

6. A hunting license or combination hunting and fishing license may not be used to comply with the provisions of this section for more than one application ^{period each} for ~~each~~ random draw during a 1-year period after the date of issuance of the license.

7. The electronic application for a tag, permit or bonus point ~~electronically, the application~~ must be accompanied by:

- (a) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat;
- (b) Any donation the applicant wishes to make to a program specified in paragraph (a) or any other program conducted by the Department;
- (c) The fee for a hunting license ~~or~~ *or combination hunting and fishing license*, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the application is for:

- (1) A tag *or permit* and the applicant:

- (I) Has not obtained a hunting license ~~or~~ *or combination hunting and fishing license*;

and

- (II) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license *or combination hunting and fishing license* regardless of whether his or her application is successfully drawn; or

- (2) A bonus point and the applicant has not obtained a hunting license; *and*

- (d) The ~~habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the application is for:~~

- ~~—— (1) A tag and the applicant:~~

- ~~—— (I) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

- ~~—— (II) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license regardless of whether his or her application is successfully drawn; or~~

- ~~—— (2) A bonus point and the applicant has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

- ~~—— (e) The~~ applicable fee required pursuant to NAC 502.331 for the Department to act upon the application. The Department shall apply the proceeds of the fee ~~to the cost of processing~~

~~applications, conducting drawings for tags, awarding bonus points and performing such related activities as the Commission may direct.~~

~~—9.} in accordance with the provisions of NRS 502.255.~~

8. If an application for a tag specified in subsection ~~{8}~~ 7 is:

(a) Successfully drawn, the Department shall collect from the applicant:

(1) The appropriate fee for the tag as provided in NRS 502.250;

(2) The fee for a hunting license ~~{}~~ *or combination hunting and fishing license*, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the applicant:

(I) Has not obtained a hunting license ~~{}~~ and

~~{(H) Indicates}~~ *indicates* on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license *or combination hunting and fishing license* only if his or her application is successfully drawn; ~~{and~~

~~—(3) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the applicant:~~

~~—(I) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

~~—(H) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license only if his or her application is successfully drawn; or~~

~~—(b) Not successfully drawn, the Department shall collect from the applicant the fee for participating in the Partnership in Wildlife Drawing, as provided in NAC 502.427, if the applicant has indicated on the application that he or she wishes to participate in that drawing.~~

~~—10.} or~~

(II) The hunting license or combination hunting and fishing license submitted with the application for the tag or permit will expire before the opening day of the season for the permit or tag.

9. An application to obtain a tag that is issued by random selection may be submitted by a person who is under 12 years of age if he or she will attain the age of 12 years before the commencement of each season to which the application relates. An application to obtain a tag that is issued on a first-come, first-served basis may not be submitted by a person who has not yet attained the age of 12 years.

~~111~~ 10. The Department and its agents and employees shall not:

- (a) Amend or otherwise alter an application to obtain a tag , *permit* or bonus point.
- (b) Issue a tag *or permit* or award a bonus point to an applicant who fails to submit the fees required pursuant to this section.

Sec. 48. NAC 502.4177 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4177 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person who is at least 12 years of age and does not wish to obtain a tag may apply to the Department for the sole purpose of obtaining a bonus point for a tag . ~~{other than a restricted nonresident deer tag.}~~ Such an application may be submitted by a person who is under 12 years of age if he or she will attain the age of 12 years before the commencement of the earliest season for the category of the species to which the application relates.

2. A person who is ineligible to apply for a tag for a category of species may not apply for a bonus point for that category of species.

3. The Department shall award a bonus point to a person described in subsection 1 if the person has complied with all applicable provisions of chapter 502 of NRS and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

Sec. 49. NAC 502.418 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.418 ~~{H}~~ The Department shall reject an application to obtain a tag, *permit* or bonus point if any of the following occurs:

~~{a}~~ 1. The applicant fails to ~~{specify his or her name, date of birth, city or state on the application.}~~ *provide the information required pursuant to section 9 of this regulation*, unless that information exists in the ~~{computer file}~~ *records* of the Department. ~~{, in which case the application must not be rejected if the applicant has specified his or her name and client number.}~~

~~{b}~~ 2. The applicant fails to specify or incorrectly specifies ~~{on the application}~~ the number of his or her hunting license ~~{and the year the license was issued.}~~ *or combination hunting and fishing license*, unless that information exists in the ~~{computer file}~~ *records* of the Department. ~~{, in which case the application must not be rejected for that reason.}~~

~~{c}~~ 3. The applicant fails to specify his or her social security number ~~{on the application for a hunting license if:~~

~~——(1) The application for a hunting license is included with the application for a tag or bonus point; and~~

~~——(2) The Social Security Administration has issued a social security number to the applicant.~~

~~{d}~~ *An}* *pursuant to section 9 of this regulation, unless that information exists in the records of the Department.*

4. *The parent or legal guardian of an* applicant who is at least 12 years of age but ~~not more~~ *less* than ~~17~~ 18 years of age fails to ~~obtain the signature of his or her parent or legal guardian on the application for a hunting license.~~

~~(e)~~ *provide the acknowledgment required pursuant NRS 502.060.*

5. The applicant fails to specify on the application the species or the category of the species for which the application was submitted and, if the application is for a tag, a valid hunter choice number for that type of hunt. If the applicant specifies valid and invalid numbers, the Department shall accept the application for the valid numbers only.

~~(f)~~ 6. The applicant fails to ~~complete the application in a legible manner.~~

~~(g)~~ *The applicant fails to sign the application.*

~~(h)~~ *provide the acknowledgment required pursuant to NRS 502.030.*

7. The applicant fails to submit the fees required pursuant to NAC 502.4175. ~~for his or her bank fails to honor the check or draft for those fees.~~

~~(i)~~ 8. The applicant fails to comply with the provisions of NAC 502.405, unless, on or before the deadline set forth in ~~that section~~ *an annual regulation of the Commission* for the year in which the application is submitted, he or she pays the applicable administrative fine and submits the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the tag or *permit or* the information required by the questionnaire.

~~(j)~~ 9. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4183, the applicant submits more than one application to hunt for the same species or category of species of wildlife during the same year, unless such an application is specifically authorized by the Commission. If such an

application is not specifically authorized by the Commission, all applications submitted by the applicant to hunt for the same species must be rejected.

~~{(k)}~~ 10. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4183 and 502.41895, the application is received after the deadline set by the Commission or by the Director pursuant to NAC 502.4196.

~~{(l)}~~ 11. The applicant fails to comply with the provisions of NRS 502.330.

~~{(m)}~~ 12. The applicant ~~{provides false information on the application.~~

~~{(n) The applicant}~~ is otherwise ineligible to apply for the tag or bonus point.

~~{2. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.419, 502.4195 and 502.4197, if an application is rejected by the Department pursuant to this section:~~

~~{(a) The application must not be included in the procedure for awarding tags;~~

~~{(b) The applicant must not be awarded a bonus point for the bonus point program for the species or the category of the species for which the application was submitted; and~~

~~{(c) The nonrefundable application fee for acting upon each application for a tag or bonus point and, if the application is for a tag, the fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat must be retained by the Department.~~

~~{3. If the Department rejects an application pursuant to paragraph (h) of subsection 1 because the applicant failed to submit the fees required pursuant to NAC 502.4175 or the applicant's bank failed to honor the check or draft for the fees specified in that paragraph, the applicant is ineligible to receive or exercise any privilege conferred upon him or her pursuant to title 45 of NRS until the Department receives:~~

~~{(a) The nonrefundable application fee for acting upon the application;~~

- ~~—(b) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat; and~~
- ~~—(c) The fee for the returned check or draft specified in NAC 502.119, if the bank failed to honor the check or draft for the fees.~~
- ~~—4. The Department shall indicate that the applicant owes a fee in the file of the applicant maintained by the Department until the applicant pays all fees owed to the Department.]~~

Sec. 50. NAC 502.4185 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 502.4185 1. ~~{Residents}~~ *Except for a restricted nonresident deer hunt, residents* and nonresidents may apply for tags as one party if they:
- (a) Submit individual applications to obtain tags;
 - (b) Indicate the desire to hunt as a party on their applications; and
 - (c) Select the corresponding valid hunter choice numbers for a species or category of species.
2. If the Department is required, pursuant to NAC 502.418, to reject an application submitted by one member of a party, the Department is not required to reject the applications of the remaining members unless the ground for rejecting the one application also applies to the other applications.
3. Except as otherwise provided in ~~{this subsection, if any member of a party specifies on his or her application a type of hunt different from that specified by any other member of that party, the applications of each member of that party will be considered solely with respect to the type of hunt and residency for which the Department will issue the most tags in the drawing for which the application is submitted. If any member of a party specifies a junior hunt on his or her application, the applications of each member of that party will be considered solely with respect~~

~~to the type of hunt, other than a junior hunt, for which the Department will issue the most tags in the drawing for which the application is submitted.~~

~~4. Except as otherwise provided in~~ NAC 502.4195, the Department shall not exceed its quotas for the respective resident and nonresident units of a season when issuing tags to a party.

~~5.]~~ 4. As used in this section, “party” means two or more persons applying together as a group to obtain tags for a season to hunt any deer, antlerless elk or antelope with horns shorter than its ears.

Sec. 51. NAC 502.4187 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4187 1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC ~~502.416]~~ **502.417** to 502.4225, inclusive, an applicant to obtain a tag for a season who is unsuccessful, or an applicant for a bonus point who does not wish to obtain a tag and is applying for the sole purpose of earning a bonus point, must be awarded a bonus point for:

- (a) The hunt number of the species for which the applicant applied if he or she applied for a:
 - (1) Tag to hunt wild turkey; or
 - (2) Bonus point for a tag described in subparagraph (1); or
- (b) The category of the species for which he or she applied if he or she applied for a tag to hunt deer, elk, mountain goat, antelope, black bear, *moose* or bighorn sheep, or for a bonus point for such a tag.

➔ Regardless of the number of applications to obtain a tag or bonus point for a season submitted by a person, the Department shall not award the person more than one bonus point per season for each species or category of a species for which the person applied.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, the bonus points awarded to a person accumulate until the person is successful in drawing a tag for a season for that species or category of a species or the person fails to apply for a season for 2 consecutive calendar years during which that type of hunt for a season is open. If an applicant is successful in drawing a tag for a season for a species or category of a species or fails to apply for a season for 2 consecutive calendar years during which that type of hunt for a season is open, the applicant loses all of his or her bonus points for that species or category of a species.

3. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4189, a person may not use any bonus points awarded to the person for being unsuccessful in a junior hunt to apply for a drawing for a tag for any other type of hunt after the person is no longer eligible to participate in a junior hunt.

4. If a person is successful in obtaining a tag for a species or category of a species pursuant to NAC 502.4215, he or she must not lose any bonus point awarded to him or her for that species or category of a species.

5. If an applicant requests and receives a refund for the value of his or her hunting license, the Department shall not award the applicant a bonus point for any species or category of species applied for during the period that the applicant possessed the hunting license.

6. The Department shall not award bonus points for depredation hunts or management hunts.

7. As used in this section, "management hunt" means a hunt established to seek the harvest of additional wildlife within a population.

Sec. 52. NAC 502.4188 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4188 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, any bonus points awarded by the Department pursuant to the bonus point program must be awarded in one of the following categories of species, subspecies and gender:

- (a) Antlered mule deer;
- (b) Antlerless mule deer;
- (c) Mule deer, either antlered or antlerless;
- (d) Antlered Rocky Mountain elk;
- (e) Antlerless Rocky Mountain elk;
- (f) Rocky Mountain elk, either antlered or antlerless;
- (g) Spike Rocky Mountain elk;
- (h) Pronghorn antelope whose horns are longer than their ears;
- (i) Pronghorn antelope whose horns are shorter than their ears;
- (j) Rams, from one of the following subspecies:
 - (1) Nelson bighorn sheep;
 - (2) California bighorn sheep; or
 - (3) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep;
- (k) Ewes, from one of the following subspecies:
 - (1) Nelson bighorn sheep;
 - (2) California bighorn sheep; or
 - (3) Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep;
- (l) Mountain goats; ~~for~~
- (m) Black bears ~~H~~; *or*

(n) Moose.

2. Bonus points awarded by the Department pursuant to the bonus point program for wild turkey hunts must be awarded by hunt number.

Sec. 53. NAC 502.419 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.419 1. The Department is not responsible for third-party errors, including those of a bank . ~~for postal service.~~ If an applicant to obtain a tag , *permit or bonus point* proves to the satisfaction of the Department that the rejection of his or her application was due solely to a third-party error, and there is sufficient time to complete the processing of the application before the drawing for which the application was submitted, the Department shall include the application in the procedure for awarding tags.

2. If the application of an applicant who is entitled to participate in a bonus point program is not entered into that drawing solely because of a third-party error, and the applicant fails to obtain a tag to participate in a hunt during the year the application was submitted, the applicant is entitled to a bonus point for the species or the category of the species for which the application was submitted.

3. As used in this section, “third-party error” means the failure to act or commission of an act, by a person or entity other than the Department or an applicant to obtain a tag, *permit or bonus point* which provides a ground for rejecting an application pursuant to NAC 502.418.

Sec. 54. NAC 502.4196 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4196 1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.419 and 502.4195, if the Department experiences a computer contaminant, power outage, interruption of Internet service, malfunctioning of a computer application or database of the Internet website of the Department

or other similar event that prevents the receipt by the Department of an application submitted electronically for a tag , *permit or bonus point* for a species or category of species during the *application* period established by the Commission , ~~{for applying for the tag,}~~ the Director may extend that period by not more than 5 days or, with the approval of the Commission, by more than 5 days.

2. ~~{If the Director extends the period for applying for a tag pursuant to subsection 1, the Director may also extend the period for applying for a bonus point for the tag for that species or category of species by an equal number of days.}~~

~~—3.}~~ As used in this section, “computer contaminant” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 205.4737.

Sec. 55. NAC 502.4205 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4205 1. Except for damage compensation tags issued pursuant to NAC 502.424 to 502.4268, inclusive, special incentive elk tags issued pursuant to NAC 502.42253 to 502.42283, inclusive, emergency depredation hunt tags and tags awarded pursuant to NAC 502.4215, the Department shall award a tag *or permit* for a season through a random order of selection conducted pursuant to a computerized system of drawing. The selection must begin with a number established by the hours, minutes, seconds and hundredths of a second set forth on the clock of the computer immediately before commencing the drawing.

2. Each drawing to award tags *or permits* for a season is subject to the bonus point program for eligible applicants. The applicant has the burden of proving his or her eligibility to participate in the bonus point program if the records of the Department fail to confirm that eligibility.

Sec. 56. NAC 502.421 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.421 1. The Department shall cause the computer to generate an alternate list for tags after the drawing for a hunt is completed. An alternate list must consist solely of each applicant who indicated on his or her electronic application for a tag pursuant to NAC 502.4175 a desire to be placed on the list. Even if the first person selected for an alternate list has the same drawing number as the last person selected to receive a tag in the drawing, the Department shall accept those selections as final.

2. If the return of tags pursuant to NAC 502.422 or 502.42695 reduces the number of tags awarded for an area and season to less than the quota for that area and season, the Department shall refill the quota by awarding tags †:

~~—(a) First, pursuant to NAC 502.4195, from applications rejected because of an error by the Department; and~~

~~—(b) Then} from the alternate list, unless there are fewer than 14 business days remaining until the opening day for that season.~~

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, in awarding tags from an alternate list for a hunt, the Department shall issue the tag to the eligible applicant appearing on the list who:

(a) Has the drawing number with the highest priority; and

(b) Indicated as the applicant's first choice the area and season for which the quota is being filled.

4. If the Department is unable to collect any fee that is required to be submitted with an application for a hunting license or tag because the method of payment is rejected during the processing of the fee for the license or tag, the Department shall, if more than 14 business days

remain until the opening day for the hunt, select an eligible applicant from the alternate list for the hunt and season who:

- (a) Has the drawing number with the highest priority; and
- (b) Has indicated as his or her first choice the area and season for which the quota is being filled.

5. Eligible applicants will be displayed on the alternate list as individual persons even though they applied for tags as a party in the draw. The order in which such persons are displayed on the alternate list is random and final.

6. The Department shall maintain a record of each applicant selected from an alternate list pursuant to this section.

7. As used in this section, "drawing number" means a number assigned by the computer to an application to denote the priority it will receive in a drawing.

Sec. 57. NAC 502.422 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.422 1. The Department may cancel a tag and provide a refund if the Department issues the tag in error.

2. The Department shall provide a refund if the holder of a tag:

(a) Or a person to whom the holder is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity dies, as verified by a certificate of death;

(b) Or a person to whom the holder is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity incurs a disability, as verified in writing by a physician, which prevents him or her from hunting during the season for which the tag was issued;

(c) Is serving in the Armed Forces of the United States and is transferred, as verified by a copy of his or her orders or other proof satisfactory to the Department, to a location which makes it impracticable for the holder to hunt in the area for which the tag was issued; or

(d) Is a recipient of a Dream Tag issued pursuant to NRS 502.219 and returns the drawn tag to the Department pursuant to NAC 502.42695,

↪ and, except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.336, his or her tag is received by the Department at least 1 business day before the opening day of the season for which the tag was issued. If the holder obtained his or her hunting license with his or her tag, the hunting license may be returned with the tag.

3. If a refund is provided pursuant to subsection 1 or 2, the Department shall:

(a) Return all the fees submitted with the application for the tag except the fees required pursuant to NRS 502.253 and NAC 502.331; and

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NAC 502.4225, treat the recipient of the refund, with respect to his or her eligibility to obtain a tag and to be awarded a bonus point, as if the tag had not been issued and the applicant was unsuccessful.

4. If a tag for any subspecies of bighorn sheep or mountain goat is returned for a reason other than the reasons set forth in subsection 1 or 2, the Department shall:

(a) If the tag is received not later than July 15, return all the fees submitted with the application for the tag except the fees required pursuant to NRS 502.253 and NAC 502.331; and

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NAC 502.4225, treat the recipient of the refund, with respect to his or her eligibility to obtain a tag and to be awarded a bonus point, as if the tag had not been issued and the applicant was unsuccessful.

5. If a tag for antelope, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, bear, turkey, deer, *moose* or elk is returned for a reason other than the reasons set forth in subsection 1 or 2, and if the tag is received at least 1 business day before the opening day of the season for which the tag was issued, the Department:

(a) Shall, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NAC 502.4225, treat the applicant, with respect to his or her eligibility to obtain a tag and to be awarded a bonus point, as if the tag had not been issued and the applicant was unsuccessful; and

(b) Shall not return any fee paid for the tag.

6. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.421, the Department is not required to refill a quota for the issuance of tags if the application of this section reduces the number of tags issued to less than a quota.

Sec. 58. NAC 502.4225 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4225 1. An applicant who fails to obtain a tag may obtain a refund of the fee for his or her hunting license if the license is not a ~~combined~~ *combination* hunting and fishing license, *the applicant purchased the license during the year in which he or she submitted the application for the tag* and the applicant:

(a) Purchased the license solely to apply for a tag;

(b) Does no hunting under the authority of the license; and

(c) Submits the license to the Department on or before the last weekday of August of ~~the~~ *that* year. ~~[in which the license was valid.]~~ The Department shall accept the license only if it is received on or before that date.

2. If an applicant obtains a refund pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1, the applicant will not be awarded any bonus points as provided in NAC 502.4187.

Sec. 59. NAC 502.423 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.423 As used in NAC 502.423 to ~~502.4239,~~ **502.4238**, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC ~~502.42302~~ **502.42303** to 502.42307, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

Sec. 60. NAC 502.42309 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.42309 The provisions of NAC 502.423 to ~~502.4239,~~ **502.4238**, inclusive, apply to the processing of applications for restricted nonresident deer tags pursuant to NRS 502.146 to 502.149, inclusive.

Sec. 61. NAC 502.4231 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4231 1. ~~1A~~ ***In addition to the provisions of section 9 of this regulation and NAC 502.4175, a person who wishes to obtain a restricted nonresident deer tag must apply to the Department on a form*** ***submit an electronic application*** provided by the Department. ~~which includes spaces, boxes or lines for the applicant to:~~

~~—(a) Specify his or her name, address and date of birth;~~

~~—(b) Select not more than five hunter choice numbers; and~~

~~—(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, sign the application.~~

~~—2. A person who desires to be placed on an alternate list pursuant to NAC 502.4238 must apply electronically to the Department to obtain a tag and must indicate on the electronic application his or her desire to be placed on an alternate list.~~

~~—3. If~~

2. *In addition to the provisions of subsection 1, if an application is submitted ~~electronically~~ by a master guide for the applicant, the application must include ~~a space, box or line for~~ the following statements which must be acknowledged and attested to by the master guide : ~~to acknowledge the affidavit that:~~*

(a) ~~Is included in the application provided by the Department:~~ *A statement indicating that the applicant is entitled to the issuance of a restricted nonresident deer tag pursuant to the laws of this State;*

(b) ~~Indicates~~ *A statement indicating* that the master guide has power of attorney to sign the application on behalf of the applicant; and

(c) ~~Indicates~~ *A statement indicating* whether the master guide will be guiding on federally administered public lands and, if so, indicates that the master guide possesses a valid special use permit issued by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit for which the applicant is applying.

~~4.—The Commission will establish the seasons and quotas for a restricted nonresident deer hunt, and the method for submission and, except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4196, the deadline for receipt of applications.~~

~~5.—A valid hunting license issued by the Department must be obtained by the applicant before submitting an application, except that an applicant may apply for a hunting license at the time he or she submits the application. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the application must be accompanied by:~~

~~(a) The appropriate fee for the tag, as provided in NRS 502.148;~~

~~—(b) If the applicant has not obtained a valid hunting license issued by the Department, the fee for the hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, and the habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242;~~

~~—(c) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat; and~~

~~—(d) The appropriate fee required pursuant to NAC 502.331, which must be applied by the Department to the cost of processing applications, conducting drawings for tags and for performing other related activities as directed by the Commission.~~

~~—6. If the application is submitted electronically, the application must be accompanied by:~~

~~—(a) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat;~~

~~—(b) Any donation the applicant wishes to make to a program specified in paragraph (a) or any other program conducted by the Department;~~

~~—(c) The appropriate fee required pursuant to NAC 502.331, which must be applied by the Department to the cost of processing applications, conducting drawings for tags and for performing other related activities as directed by the Commission;~~

~~—(d) The fee for a hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the applicant:~~

~~—(1) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

~~—(2) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license regardless of whether his or her application is successfully drawn; and~~

~~—(e) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the applicant:~~

~~—(1) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

- ~~— (2) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license regardless of whether his or her application is successfully drawn.~~
- ~~— 7. If an application for a tag specified in subsection 6 is successfully drawn, the Department shall collect from the applicant:~~
- ~~— (a) The appropriate fee for the tag as provided in NRS 502.250;~~
- ~~— (b) The fee for a hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the applicant:~~
- ~~— (1) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~
- ~~— (2) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license only if his or her application is successfully drawn; and~~
- ~~— (c) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the applicant:~~
- ~~— (1) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~
- ~~— (2) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license only if his or her application is successfully drawn.~~
- ~~— 8. All fees submitted with an application must be paid by:~~
- ~~— (a) A cashier's check;~~
- ~~— (b) A certified check;~~
- ~~— (c) A money order; or~~
- ~~— (d) If the application is submitted electronically, an electronic method of payment that is specified by the Department.~~
- ~~— 9. The Department and its agents or employees shall not:~~
- ~~— (a) Amend or otherwise alter an application to obtain a restricted nonresident deer tag.~~

~~—(b) Issue a restricted nonresident deer tag to an applicant who fails to submit the fees required pursuant to this section.]~~

Sec. 62. NAC 502.4235 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4235 ~~1. The~~ *In addition to the provisions of section 9 of this regulation and NAC 502.4175 and 502.418, the* Department shall reject an application for a restricted nonresident deer tag *or prohibit a person from submitting the application* if:

~~[(a) The applicant fails to specify his or her name, date of birth, city or state on the application, unless that information exists in the computer file of the Department, in which case the application must not be rejected if the applicant has specified his or her name and client number.~~

~~—(b) The applicant fails to specify or incorrectly specifies on the application the number of his or her hunting license and the year the license was issued, unless that information exists in the computer file of the Department, in which case the application must not be rejected for that reason.~~

~~—(c) The applicant fails to specify his or her social security number on the application for a hunting license if:~~

~~—(1) The application for a hunting license is included with the application for a tag; and~~

~~—(2) The Social Security Administration has issued a social security number to the applicant.~~

~~—(d) An applicant who is at least 12 years of age but not more than 17 years of age fails to obtain the signature of his or her parent or legal guardian on the application for a hunting license.~~

~~—(e) The applicant fails to specify a valid hunter choice number on the application. If the applicant specifies valid and invalid numbers, the Department shall accept the application for the valid numbers only.~~

~~—(f) The applicant fails to complete the application in a legible manner.~~

~~—(g) 1. The applicant or the master guide fails to ~~sign the application.~~~~

~~—(h) *acknowledge a statement indicating that the applicant is entitled to the issuance of the restricted nonresident deer tag under the laws of this State.*~~

2. The applicant *or the master guide* fails to submit the fees required pursuant to NAC ~~[502.4231 or his or her bank fails to honor the check or draft for those fees.~~

~~—(i) The applicant fails to complete and return the questionnaire required pursuant to NAC 502.4239, unless, on or before the deadline set forth in that section for the year in which the application is submitted, he or she pays the applicable administrative fine and submits the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the tag or the information required by the questionnaire.~~

~~—(j) Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4183, the applicant submits more than one application to hunt for the same species of wildlife during the same year, unless such an application is specifically authorized by the Commission. If such an application to hunt is not authorized, all applications to hunt for the same species that are submitted by the applicant will be rejected.~~

~~—(k) The applicant fails to comply with the provisions of NRS 502.330.~~

~~—(l) 502.4175.~~

3. The master guide named in the application:

~~1~~ (a) Is not licensed for each wildlife management area or unit named in the application;

~~2~~ (b) Fails to specify or incorrectly specifies on the application the number of his or her current master guide license; or

~~3~~ (c) If applicable, does not possess a valid special use permit required by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit for which the applicant is applying.

~~(m) The applicant or master guide provides any false information on the application.~~

~~(n)~~ 4. The applicant and the master guide named in the application are the same person.

~~(o)~~ 5. The applicant holds a license as a subguide issued by the Department which authorizes the applicant to guide for deer in the wildlife management area or unit for which he or she is applying for a restricted nonresident deer tag.

~~(p) The applicant is otherwise ineligible to apply for the tag.~~

~~(q) Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4183 and 502.41895, the application is received after the deadline set by the Commission or by the Director pursuant to NAC 502.4196.~~

~~2. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.42375 and 502.42377, if an application is rejected by the Department pursuant to this section, the application must not be included in the procedure for awarding tags.~~

~~3. If the Department rejects an application pursuant to paragraph (h) of subsection 1 because the applicant's bank failed to honor the check or draft for the fees specified in that paragraph, the applicant is ineligible to receive or exercise any privilege conferred upon him or her pursuant to title 45 of NRS until the Department receives:~~

- ~~—(a) The nonrefundable application fee for acting upon the application;~~
- ~~—(b) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat; and~~
- ~~—(c) The fee for the returned check or draft specified in NAC 502.119. The Department shall, until the fee is paid, indicate that the applicant owes the fee in the file of the applicant maintained by the Department.]~~

Sec. 63. NAC 502.4236 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4236 1. If the Department is required pursuant to NAC **502.418 or** 502.4235 to reject an application submitted by a member of a party, the Department is not required to reject the applications of the other members of the party unless the ground for rejecting that application also applies to the other applications.

2. As used in this section, “party” means two or more persons who apply as a group for tags for a restricted nonresident deer hunt.

Sec. 64. NAC 502.4237 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4237 1. If the Department conducts a drawing for the issuance of nonresident deer tags pursuant to the provisions of NRS 502.147, the Department shall provide to the master guides specified on the applications submitted notification ~~{by mail}~~ of the date, time and location of the drawing.

2. Not more than 30 successfully drawn applications for restricted nonresident deer tags upon which the same master guide is named may be granted by the Department. If 30 such applications have been approved by the Department, the Department shall deny all applications submitted which exceed that number.

3. An applicant who submits an application pursuant to this subsection may not apply for a nonresident deer tag in the main draw in the same year.

Sec. 65. NAC 502.4238 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4238 1. ~~{The Department may cancel a restricted nonresident deer tag and provide a refund if the Department issues the tag in error.~~

~~—2.— The Department shall provide a refund if the holder of a restricted nonresident deer tag:~~

~~—(a) Or a person to whom the holder is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity dies, as verified by a certificate of death;~~

~~—(b) Or a person to whom the holder is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity incurs a disability, as verified in writing by a physician, which prevents him or her from hunting during the season for which the tag was issued; or~~

~~—(c) Is serving in the Armed Forces of the United States and is transferred, as verified by a copy of his or her orders or other proof satisfactory to the Department, to a location which makes it impracticable for him or her to hunt in the area for which the tag was issued;~~

~~→ and the tag is received by the Department at least 1 business day before the opening day of the season for which the tag was issued. If the holder obtained his or her hunting license with the tag, the hunting license must be returned with the tag. The Department shall mail the refund within 90 days after the Department receives the tag and the hunting license, if any.~~

~~—3.—~~ If ~~{the}~~ a master guide of a holder of a restricted nonresident deer tag dies or is no longer able to provide guide services due to medical reasons, because he or she has failed to renew his or her master guide license or the license has been revoked, the holder of the tag for whom guide service was to be performed by the master guide may apply to the Department for a refund or

may retain another master guide who is licensed for the area or unit specified on the tag. Before another master guide may render services as a master guide for the holder of the tag, and before the holder may participate in the restricted nonresident deer hunt for which the tag was issued, the holder of the tag must provide written notification to the Department that he or she has retained another master guide. The written notification must include:

- (a) The reasons for retaining the services of another master guide;
- (b) The signatures of the holder of the tag and the new master guide and the date on which the written notification was signed; and
- (c) The number of the master guide license of the newly retained master guide.

~~[4.]~~ 2. If the Department provides a refund pursuant to this section, the Department shall return all the fees submitted with the application for the tag. ~~except the fee required pursuant to paragraph (c) or (d) of subsection 5 of NAC 502.4231.~~

~~5. If the Department provides a refund to a holder of a restricted nonresident deer tag pursuant to paragraph (b) or (c) of subsection 2 or subsection 3, the Department shall award a bonus point to the holder for the category of the species to which the restricted nonresident deer tag applied.~~

~~6. The Department shall cause the computer to generate an alternate list for restricted nonresident deer tags after the drawing for a hunt is complete. An alternate list must consist solely of each applicant who indicated on his or her electronic application pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 502.4231 a desire to be placed on the list. Even if the first person selected for an alternate list has the same drawing number as the last person selected to receive a tag in the drawing, the Department shall accept those selections as final.~~

~~—7. If the return of restricted nonresident deer tags pursuant to this section or for any other reason reduces the number of tags awarded for an area and season to less than the quota for that area and season, the Department shall refill the quota by awarding tags:~~

~~—(a) First, pursuant to NAC 502.42377, from applications rejected because of an error by the Department; and~~

~~—(b) Then from the alternate list, unless there are fewer than 14 business days remaining until the opening day for the restricted nonresident deer hunt.~~

~~—8.] 3.~~ Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~{9.] 4,~~ in awarding restricted nonresident deer tags from an alternate list, the Department shall issue the tag to the eligible applicant on the list : ~~{who:}~~

(a) ~~{Has}~~ *Whose master guide designated on the application for the restricted nonresident deer tag is not named on more than 30 successfully drawn applications pursuant to NAC 502.4237 and is able to accompany the applicant in the field;*

(b) *Who has* the drawing number with the highest priority; and

~~{(b) Indicated}~~ (c) *Who has indicated* as the applicant's first choice the area and season for which the quota for the restricted nonresident deer hunt is being filled.

~~{9.] 4.~~ If the Department is unable to collect any fee that is required to be submitted with an application for a hunting license or restricted nonresident deer tag because the method of payment is rejected during the processing of the fee for the license or restricted nonresident deer tag, the Department shall, if more than 14 business days remain until the opening day for the restricted nonresident deer hunt and if the master guide designated on the application for the restricted nonresident deer tag is not named on more than 30 successfully drawn applications

pursuant to NAC 502.4237, select an eligible applicant from the alternate list for the restricted nonresident deer hunt who:

- (a) Has the drawing number with the highest priority; and
- (b) Indicated as his or her first choice the area and season for which the quota for the restricted nonresident deer hunt is being filled.

~~10.~~ 5. The Department shall maintain a record of each applicant selected from an alternate list pursuant to this section.

Sec. 66. NAC 502.4292 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4292 ~~1.~~ ~~A~~ *In addition to the requirements set forth in section 9 of this regulation and NAC 502.4175, a person desiring to obtain a Silver State Tag must apply to the Department on an electronic form provided by the Department pursuant to NAC 502.4291. ~~that includes spaces for the applicant to:~~*

- ~~(a) Specify his or her name, address and date of birth;~~
- ~~(b) Specify the species or category of species for which the applicant is applying;~~
- ~~(c) Specify whether or not the applicant desires to be placed on an alternate list pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 502.4298; and~~
- ~~(d) Acknowledge the affidavit that is included in the application provided by the Department.~~
- ~~2. An application must include the applicant's social security number, or a unique number will be assigned by the Department.~~
- ~~3. An applicant must obtain a valid hunting license before submitting his or her application for a Silver State Tag, except that an applicant may apply for a hunting license when submitting his or her application for a Silver State Tag.~~

~~—4.— An} **The** application ~~{for a Silver State Tag}~~ must be accompanied by ~~{~~:~~

~~—(a) A} **a** nonrefundable fee of \$20 for the application which, except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.4295, the Department shall deposit with the State Treasurer for credit to the Wildlife Heritage Account.~~

~~{(b) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat.~~

~~—(c) If the application is for an elk tag, the fee of \$5 required pursuant to NRS 502.250 for the application.~~

~~—(d) The fee for a hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the applicant:~~

~~——(1) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

~~——(2) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license regardless of whether his or her application is successfully drawn.~~

~~—(e) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the applicant:~~

~~——(1) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

~~——(2) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license regardless of whether his or her application is successfully drawn.~~

~~—5.— If an application for a Silver State Tag is successfully drawn, the Department shall collect from the applicant:~~

~~—(a) The appropriate fee for the tag as provided in NRS 502.250;~~

~~—(b) The fee for a hunting license, as provided in NRS 502.240, if the applicant:~~

~~——(1) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

~~— (2) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license only if his or her application is successfully drawn; and~~

~~— (e) The habitat conservation fee, as provided in NRS 502.242, if the applicant:~~

~~— (1) Has not obtained a hunting license; and~~

~~— (2) Indicates on the application that he or she wishes to purchase the hunting license only if his or her application is successfully drawn.~~

~~— 6. An application to obtain a Silver State Tag may be submitted by a person who is under 12 years of age if he or she will attain the age of 12 years before the commencement of the season to which the application relates.]~~

Sec. 67. NAC 502.4298 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4298 1. The Silver State Tag Drawing will occur before the initial drawing for big game tags. The Department shall award tags from the Silver State Tag Drawing through a random order of selection conducted pursuant to a computerized system of drawing. The selection must begin with a number established by the hours, minutes, seconds and hundredths of a second set forth on the computer's clock immediately before commencing the drawing.

2. The Department shall cause the computer to generate an alternate list, categorized by species, after the initial selection of tag recipients in the Silver State Tag Drawing. ~~{The alternate list must consist solely of each applicant who indicated a desire to be placed on an alternate list pursuant to subsection 1 of NAC 502.4292.}~~

3. If the return of tags for a refund, pursuant to subsection 2 of NAC 502.422, reduces the number of tags awarded for the Silver State Tag Drawing to less than the quota for the hunt for a

species, the Department shall refill the quota by awarding tags to applicants on the alternate list, unless there are fewer than 14 business days remaining until the opening day for that hunt.

4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, in awarding tags from an alternate list for a hunt, the Department shall select the eligible applicant appearing on the list who:

- (a) Has not received a tag in the initial drawing for big game tags or the Partnership in Wildlife Drawing for that species or subspecies for that year;
- (b) Has the drawing number with the highest priority for that species or subspecies; and
- (c) Indicated on his or her application the desire to compete for that species or subspecies in the Silver State Tag Drawing.

5. If the Department is unable to collect any fee that is required from the Silver State Tag Drawing because the method of payment is rejected during the processing of those fees, the Department shall, if more than 14 business days remain until the opening day for the hunt, select an eligible applicant from the alternate list for the hunt and season who:

- (a) Has the drawing number with the highest priority; and
- (b) Indicated on his or her application for the initial drawing for big game tags the desire to compete for that species in the Silver State Tag Drawing.

6. The Department shall maintain a record of each applicant selected from an alternate list pursuant to this section.

Sec. 68. NAC 502.440 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.440 1. An application for a taxidermist license may be obtained from any office of the Department. The applicant shall include on his or her application:

(a) The applicant's name, ~~residential~~ *physical* and mailing addresses, and telephone number;

(b) The name and telephone number of the applicant's taxidermic business and, if different from the applicant's ~~residential~~ *physical* address, the address from which taxidermic services will be provided;

(c) Whether or not the taxidermic services are provided for compensation;

(d) If the applicant must possess a federal taxidermist permit, a copy of the permit or proof satisfactory to the Department that federal approval of such a permit is pending;

(e) The name of each state in which the applicant holds or has held a taxidermist license or permit to perform taxidermic services;

(f) If the applicant has been convicted of violating the laws or regulations relating to taxidermy or commercialization of wildlife of any state or the United States Fish and Wildlife Service within the 5 years immediately preceding the date of the application, a description of each violation, a description of the penalty imposed for each violation and the name of the state in which the conviction occurred;

(g) Whether, at the time of the application, the privileges granted to the applicant by another state or the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to taxidermy are suspended or revoked; and

(h) The applicant's signature and the date on which he or she signed the application.

2. A taxidermist license issued by the Department pending the issuance of a federal permit to perform taxidermic services on:

(a) A migratory bird that is protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 703 et seq.; or

(b) A species of wildlife that is listed as threatened or endangered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service,

↪ is not valid for the purposes of performing taxidermic services on the migratory bird or the endangered or threatened species until the federal permit has been issued by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to the licensee.

3. A completed application and required fees must be submitted to the Department.

4. An annual taxidermist license expires on June 30 of each year. If an application for the renewal of a taxidermist license is not received by the Department on or before June 30, taxidermic items in the possession of a taxidermist shall be deemed to be unlawfully possessed and are subject to seizure by the Department, and the taxidermist will be considered to be practicing taxidermy without a license. If an application for the renewal of a taxidermist license is received by the Department on or before June 30, the license will remain in effect until the Department completes its review of the application and renews or denies the application to renew the taxidermist license.

Sec. 69. NAC 502.455 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.455 1. A person licensed as a taxidermist in Nevada shall maintain accurate written or computerized records, on a form provided by the Department or in a format which is substantially similar to that form, for each licensing year which show:

(a) The name, telephone number and *physical and mailing* address of each person from whom wildlife or parts, nests or eggs of wildlife, upon which taxidermic services were performed, were received.

(b) The name, telephone number and *physical and mailing* address of each person to whom wildlife or parts, nests or eggs of wildlife, upon which taxidermic services were performed, were delivered.

(c) An accurate description of the taxidermic item, including the species and parts thereof received.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 and if required for the species of wildlife received, the number of the tag, seal or permit.

(e) The date on which the taxidermist receives the taxidermic item and the date on which that item is returned to its owner.

↪ The taxidermist shall record the required information immediately upon receipt and delivery of a taxidermic item, as appropriate.

2. A taxidermist shall:

(a) Immediately upon receipt, label each taxidermic item with a tag that clearly identifies the owner of the item. The tag may be removed from the item only during the actual performance of taxidermic services on the item. The tag must be reattached to the item when the taxidermic service is not being performed. Once the taxidermic services are completed on the taxidermic item, the tag must be reattached and remain attached to the item until the item is delivered to or claimed by the owner of the item.

(b) If required by the Department, submit a copy of the taxidermist's records for the previous licensing year to the Department at the end of each licensing year. If the records are computerized, the taxidermist shall submit a hard copy of the computerized records to the Department.

(c) Retain the taxidermist's records for a licensing year for at least 2 years after the end of the licensing year to which those records pertain.

(d) During any reasonable hour, upon the request of any agent of the Department authorized to enforce the provisions of title 45 of NRS, present the taxidermist's records kept in accordance with this section and any taxidermic item which the taxidermist is keeping at his or her place of business.

3. In lieu of maintaining a record of a tag, seal or permit pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 1, a taxidermist who receives a taxidermic item from another taxidermist may maintain a record setting forth the name and *physical and mailing* address of the taxidermist from whom the taxidermic item was received and the punch number or other identification number assigned to that taxidermist by the taxidermist who received the taxidermic item. The punch number or other identification number must be attached to the taxidermic item during the entire period in which the taxidermist who received the taxidermic item remains in possession of the taxidermic item.

4. As used in this section:

(a) "Licensing year" means a period beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30 of the following calendar year.

(b) "Punch number" means a number which is assigned to a taxidermist for the purpose of identification and which is punched into or otherwise attached to a taxidermic item.

Sec. 70. NAC 502.500 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.500 1. The Department will provide a course in the safe handling of firearms to all eligible persons. The instructor may collect a fee of \$5 from each person obtaining instruction in the safe handling of firearms.

2. The Department will issue a duplicate certificate of successful completion of the course for a fee of ~~3~~ \$10.

Sec. 71. NAC 504.4597 is hereby amended to read as follows:

504.4597 1. A person is not required to obtain or possess a fishing license ~~or~~ or fishing permit ~~or stamp~~ to take fish if:

(a) The person is fishing in a privately owned lake or pond that contains fish that were lawfully acquired and planted in the lake or pond, and are possessed under the authority of a license for either the commercial or noncommercial possession of live wildlife;

(b) The entire shoreline of the lake or pond, when measured at its high-water mark, is located on private property owned, managed or leased by a licensee; and

(c) The lake or pond is not directly connected at the entrance or outflow of the lake or pond to any natural watercourse.

2. A person may take fish from a lake or pond pursuant to this section:

(a) At any time authorized by the licensee;

(b) In any manner authorized by the licensee which is not deleterious or dangerous to the residents, the wildlife other than the fish to be taken, and the habitat of the wildlife of this State; and

(c) Without regard to limits that might otherwise be established by the Commission.

↳ For the purposes of this subsection, a manner of taking fish which is deleterious or dangerous to the residents, the wildlife other than the fish to be taken, and the habitat of the wildlife of this State includes, without limitation, the use of poisons and the use of explosives.

3. Fish which are taken pursuant to this section may not be transported, alive or dead, from the private property of the licensee, unless the person in possession of the fish carries an itemized statement or receipt which lists:

(a) The species and number of the fish being transported;

(b) The date on which the fish are being transported;

(c) The name and address of the person who will be transporting the fish;

(d) If the fish are being transported live, the name and address of the person who will receive the live fish, if different from the person who is transporting the fish;

(e) The name, address and license number of the licensee from whose property the fish are being transported; and

(f) The signature of the licensee or the licensee's designee.

4. Live fish which are transported from the property of a licensee pursuant to this section must not be released into any water of this State without a permit to release wildlife as required by NAC 503.135, or other written authorization of the Department.

5. As used in this section, “licensee” means a person who is the holder of a license for the commercial or noncommercial possession of live wildlife.

Sec. 72. NAC 504.711 is hereby amended to read as follows:

504.711 A master guide licensed by the Department shall not:

1. Enter into a contract to provide a service in a wildlife management area or unit for which the guide does not possess a valid special use permit, if applicable, issued by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit.

2. ~~Sign or submit~~ *Submit* an application for a restricted nonresident deer tag pursuant to NAC 502.4231 related to a wildlife management area or unit, or for a hunter choice number representing a wildlife management area or unit, for which the master guide does not possess a valid special use permit required by the federal land management agency having jurisdiction within the wildlife management area or unit.

Sec. 73. NAC 488.522, 502.170, 502.182, 502.185, 502.200, 502.205, 502.260, 502.262, 502.263, 502.271, 502.280, 502.291, 502.376, 502.415, 502.416, 502.4197, 502.42302, 502.42371, 502.42372, 502.42373, 502.42375, 502.42377, 502.4239, 502.4296 and 502.4297 are hereby repealed.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

488.522 “Resident of this State” interpreted.

1. For the purposes of NRS 488.536 and NAC 488.523 and 488.525, the Commission will interpret “resident of this State” to mean a person who, during the 6 months before the person’s application to the Department for an aquatic invasive species decal:

- (a) Maintained his or her principal and permanent residence in this State; and
- (b) Was physically present in this State, except for temporary absences.

2. As used in this section, “principal and permanent residence” means a place where a person is legally domiciled and maintains a permanent habitation in which the person lives and to which the person intends to return when he or she leaves this State. The term does not include merely owning a residence in this State.

502.170 Batch reports: Dates due; submission; delinquency.

1. The Department shall assign to each manual license agent dates for the submission of batch reports. The agent shall submit at least two batch reports each month which must be received by the Department by the assigned dates. If the agent has had no sales during the period

covered by a batch report, he or she shall enter “no sale” on the report and submit it to the Department. The batch report must be received by the Department by the assigned date.

2. If the Department does not receive a batch report on or before the date assigned pursuant to subsection 1, the Department:

(a) Shall not send any more licenses, permits, tags, stamps or other licensing documents to the license agent until his or her batch report is received; and

(b) Shall send a notice of delinquency to the license agent.

502.182 Recall of documents at close of season or license year: Procedure; assessment of fee for documents not received.

1. The Department will recall documents from license agents at the close of a season or license year.

2. The Department will notify each license agent in writing that specific documents are being recalled and that they must be received by the Department on or before a specified date. The specified receipt date must not be more than 60 days after the date of notification. To receive credit, unsold documents must be received by the Department on or before the specified receipt date.

3. The license agent will be assessed a fee for each document recalled but not received by the Department within 30 days after the date specified pursuant to subsection 2. The fee amount will be determined pursuant to NAC 502.185.

502.185 Lost batch reports; stolen documents; assessed value of missing documents.

1. If a license agent's batch report has been lost in the mail, the license agent may receive credit if the agent notifies the Department of the loss and provides photocopies of the report to the Department.

2. If documents have been stolen, the license agent may receive credit if the agent notifies the Department and submits a copy of a police report to the Department listing the document numbers of the stolen documents.

3. If the provisions of subsections 1, 2 and 4 of NAC 502.180 do not apply, or if a document has been lost or destroyed by an agent or stolen and no copy is available, the assessed value of the document is:

(a) For a license or permit from a book, an amount equal to the highest priced license or permit in that book;

(b) For a tag from a book, an amount equal to the highest priced tag in that book; and

(c) For a stamp, the face value.

502.200 Resident's license or permit: Proof of identity and residency; information furnished by applicant and agent; signature of applicant.

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.262, a license agent may require an applicant for a resident's license or permit to provide reasonable proof of the applicant's identity and proof that the applicant has had at least 6 months of continuous residence in Nevada before issuing a resident's license or permit to the applicant. Such proof may include, but is not limited to, a Nevada driver's license or other identification containing a photograph of the applicant, receipts from the rent or lease of a residence located within this State, records of public utilities, stubs from employment checks or any other document indicating the applicant's name and current

address. Any document presented must be dated at least 6 months before the date a license or permit is issued. A license or permit issued by the Department for a previous year is not acceptable proof of residency.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.262, the license agent shall correctly enter the required information on the original and all copies of any licenses and permits issued to residents. The information must include:

(a) The applicant's legal name, mailing address, street address, city, county, state and zip code;

(b) The applicant's social security number, unless the applicant is a citizen of a country other than the United States;

(c) The month and year of the applicant's residency;

(d) The month, day, year and time the license or permit is issued to the applicant;

(e) A description of the applicant, including his or her height, weight, sex and date of birth;

(f) If the applicant was born after January 1, 1960, and is applying for a hunting license or a combination hunting and fishing license, a statement indicating that the applicant has presented proof of successful completion of a course in the responsibilities of hunters as required by the provisions of NRS 502.330;

(g) The class of license or permit for which the applicant is applying;

(h) The license agent's account number and the initials of the person who issues the license or permit; and

(i) If a short-term permit to fish is issued, the starting date of the permit.

3. The license or permit must contain a statement in the form required by law, signed by the applicant, attesting that the applicant is entitled to the license or permit under the laws of Nevada.

4. The license agent may, at the option of the applicant, enter on the license or permit the number of the driver's license of the applicant and the state of its issuance if the applicant holds a driver's license.

502.205 Inclusion of social security number in application for hunting license.

In addition to any other information required pursuant to this chapter, an applicant for a hunting license must include his or her social security number in his or her application for a hunting license if the Social Security Administration has issued such a number.

502.260 Nonresident's license or permit: Information furnished by applicant and agent.

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.262, a license agent shall correctly enter the required information on the original and all copies of licenses or permits issued to nonresidents. The information must include:

- (a) The applicant's legal name, mailing address, street address, city, state and zip code;
- (b) The social security number of the applicant, unless the applicant is a citizen of a country other than the United States;
- (c) The month, day, year and time the license or permit is issued to the applicant;
- (d) A description of the applicant, including his or her height, weight, sex and date of birth;
- (e) If the applicant was born after January 1, 1960, and is applying for a hunting license or a short-term hunting permit, a statement indicating that the applicant has presented proof of

successful completion of a course in the responsibilities of hunters as required by the provisions of NRS 502.330;

(f) The class of license or permit for which the applicant is applying;

(g) The license agent's account number and the initials of the person who issues the license or permit; and

(h) If a short-term permit is issued, the starting date of the permit.

2. The license agent may, at the option of the applicant, enter on the license or permit the number of the driver's license of the applicant and the state of its issuance if the applicant holds a driver's license.

502.262 Apprentice hunting license: Proof of identity; information furnished by applicant and agent.

1. A license agent may require a resident or nonresident applicant for an apprentice hunting license to provide reasonable proof of the applicant's identity before issuing an apprentice hunting license to the applicant. Such proof may include, without limitation, a driver's license or other identification containing a photograph of the applicant.

2. The license agent shall correctly enter the required information on the original and all copies of the apprentice hunting license issued to the applicant. The information must include:

(a) The applicant's legal name, mailing address, street address, city, county, state and zip code;

(b) The month, day, year and time the apprentice hunting license is issued to the applicant;

(c) A description of the applicant, including the applicant's height, weight, sex and date of birth; and

(d) If the license:

(1) Is not issued electronically:

(I) The applicant's social security number, unless the applicant is a citizen of a country other than the United States;

(II) The license agent's account number and the initials of the person who issues the license; and

(III) If the applicant holds a driver's license, the number of the driver's license of the applicant and the state of its issuance; or

(2) Is issued electronically:

(I) The applicant's client number; and

(II) The license agent's account number.

3. The license must contain a statement, signed by the applicant, attesting that the applicant is eligible for the issuance of the apprentice hunting license pursuant to NRS 502.066.

502.263 Apprentice hunting license: Temporary authorization number issued in lieu of license.

In lieu of issuing an apprentice hunting license, the Department may issue such a license in the form of a temporary authorization number pursuant to NAC 502.271. A temporary authorization number issued pursuant to this section may be used only:

1. By the person for whom it is issued; and
2. On the dates of validity of the temporary authorization number.

502.271 Temporary authorization number for license or stamp purchased over Internet or by telephone.

1. The Department may issue a temporary authorization number for a license or stamp if the license or stamp is made available for application and purchase over the Internet or by telephone. The temporary authorization number for each license or stamp is valid for not more than 10 days after the date of its issuance.

2. Upon the request of a law enforcement officer, a person who uses a temporary authorization number shall specify the authorization number and present proof of his or her identity.

502.280 License, tag or permit issued without validated class code; license, tag or permit issued with more than one class code validated.

1. A license, tag or permit which is issued without a validated class code, and for which the issuing license agent cannot provide his or her copy within 60 days after notice by the Department, must be assessed to the license agent at the following rates:

(a) For the following licenses, the face value, as indicated by the date of birth and residence of the licensee:

- (1) Junior resident's hunting license;
- (2) Junior resident's trapping license;
- (3) Junior resident's fishing license;
- (4) Junior nonresident's fishing license;
- (5) Senior resident's hunting license; and
- (6) Senior resident's fishing license.

(b) For a short-term permit, the face value of a permit for 1 day and for 9 consecutive days.

(c) If the license is not a junior or senior hunting or fishing license:

(1) At the same rate as the license which precedes or follows it in the license book if the two licenses are of the same type or class.

(2) If the rate cannot be determined pursuant to subparagraph (1), at the applicable rate set forth in subsection 3 of NAC 502.185.

(d) For a tag, the applicable rate set forth in subsection 3 of NAC 502.185.

2. A license, tag or permit which is issued with more than one class code validated must be assessed to the license agent at a rate which equals the:

(a) Total of the fees for every class which was validated if the validated class codes are for different types of privileges; or

(b) Highest fee of the classes which were validated if the validated class codes are for the same or similar types of privileges.

502.291 1-day group fishing permits; authorization number in lieu of document.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a 1-day group fishing permit issued to a group authorizes each member of the group to fish only on:

(a) The date of validity specified on the permit; or

(b) The date the permit is issued, if the date of validity is not specified on the permit.

2. Each 1-day group fishing permit must include on the face of the permit:

(a) The name of the person designated pursuant to NRS 502.083 to act as the primary adult for the group to which the permit is issued;

(b) Either:

(1) The number of the annual fishing license or 1-day permit to fish issued to the primary adult, if such a license or permit is issued to the primary adult; or

(2) The authorization number issued to the primary adult pursuant to subsection 4, if such a number is issued to the primary adult; and

(c) The number of members of the group authorized to fish in accordance with the 1-day group fishing permit.

3. The number of members of a group specified on a 1-day group fishing permit must not be increased after the transaction for the purchase of the permit is complete.

4. In lieu of issuing a written 1-day group fishing permit, the Department may issue such a permit in the form of an authorization number. An authorization number issued pursuant to this subsection may be used only:

(a) By the person for whom it is issued; and

(b) On the date of validity of the authorization number.

5. Upon the request of a law enforcement officer, a person using an authorization number pursuant to subsection 4 must:

(a) Present proof of his or her identity; and

(b) Specify:

(1) The authorization number; and

(2) The name of the person designated to act as the primary adult for the group.

6. As used in this section:

(a) "Group" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 502.083.

(b) "1-day group fishing permit" means a permit issued pursuant to NRS 502.083.

502.376 Upland game birds: Stamp or other documentation required; exceptions.

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, any person who hunts for upland game birds, except turkey and crow, must carry on his or her person:

(a) An unexpired upland game bird stamp validated by the person's signature in ink across the face of the stamp; or

(b) Any other such documentation as the Department provides as proof that the person has paid to the Department, for the licensing period that includes the time he or she is hunting, the fee for the upland game bird stamp.

2. The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who is under the age of 12 years.

502.415 Duck stamps: Price.

1. The prices for state duck stamps are as follows:

(a) For unexpired stamps, \$10; and

(b) For expired stamps:

(1) If a person who is provided electronic documentation by the Department that he or she has paid the fee for a state duck stamp for a license year wishes to obtain an expired state duck stamp for that license year, the person may, within 30 days after the expiration of that license year, obtain such a stamp from the Department free of charge; or

(2) If a person wishes to purchase a mint stock stamp from the Department, the face value of the mint stock stamp.

2. As used in this section, "mint stock stamp" means an expired and unvalidated state duck stamp that is available for sale to a collector, company, organization or institution involved in secondary market sales of duck stamps.

502.416 "Department" defined.

As used in NAC 502.416 to 502.4225, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, “Department” includes any independent contractor of the Department acting on behalf of and under the direction of the Department and the agents and employees of the independent contractor.

502.4197 Correctable errors.

1. The Department shall allow an applicant to correct a correctable error in an application for a tag for the main draw if:

(a) The Department receives the application and enters the information on the application into the computer;

(b) The application contains an error that causes the computer to send to the applicant a letter of rejection and blank correction document; and

(c) The Department receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document.

2. If the Department receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the Department shall:

(a) Use the information contained in the correction document to update the applicant’s file on the computer; and

(b) Consider the applicant in the procedure for awarding a tag.

3. The Department shall not consider an applicant in the procedure for awarding a tag if:

(a) The applicant submits a correction document that does not contain information sufficient to correct every error in the application; or

(b) The correction document is not received by the Department on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document.

4. As used in this section:

(a) "Correctable error" means:

- (1) An incorrect or missing date of birth;
- (2) An incorrect, invalid or missing number of a hunting license;
- (3) An incorrect, invalid or missing hunter choice number;
- (4) Failure to specify the species or the category of the species for which the application was submitted;
- (5) Failure of the applicant to specify his or her social security number on the application for a hunting license if:
 - (I) The application is included with his or her application for a tag or bonus point; and
 - (II) The Social Security Administration has issued a social security number to the applicant;
- (6) Failure to include the proper fee;
- (7) Failure of the applicant to sign the application;
- (8) If the applicant is less than 18 years of age, failure of his or her parent or legal guardian to sign the application; or
- (9) Failure to complete a course in the responsibilities of hunters as required pursuant to NRS 502.330.

(b) "Main draw" means the draw pursuant to which the greatest number of big game tags are issued to residents and nonresidents.

502.42302 “Department” defined.

“Department” has the meaning ascribed to it in NAC 502.416.

502.42371 Computerized system of drawing; bonus point program.

1. The Department shall award restricted nonresident deer tags through a random order of selection conducted pursuant to a computerized system of drawing. The selection must begin with a number established by the hours, minutes, seconds and hundredths of a second set forth on the computer’s clock immediately before commencing the drawing.

2. Each drawing to award restricted nonresident deer tags is subject to the bonus point program for eligible applicants. The applicant has the burden of proving his or her eligibility to participate in the bonus point program if the records of the Department fail to confirm his or her eligibility.

502.42372 Bonus points: Award and accumulation.

1. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.423 to 502.4239, inclusive, an applicant for a tag for a restricted nonresident deer hunt who is unsuccessful must be awarded a bonus point for the category of the species for which the application was submitted.

2. The bonus points awarded to a person for a restricted nonresident deer hunt accumulate until he or she draws a restricted nonresident deer tag or any other nonresident deer tag for the same category of a species or fails to apply for such a tag for 2 consecutive calendar years during which a nonresident deer hunt for that category of the species is open. If an applicant is successful in drawing a tag for a restricted nonresident deer hunt or any other nonresident deer tag for that category of the species or fails to apply for such a tag for 2 consecutive calendar

years during which a nonresident deer hunt for that category of the species is open, the applicant loses all of the bonus points he or she accumulated for that category of the species.

502.42373 Bonus points: Use; nontransferability; application by group of persons.

1. For seasons for deer, each applicant in a drawing for a restricted nonresident deer tag receives a number of additional draw numbers equal to the number of bonus points that he or she has accumulated squared, as expressed in the following equation:

$$n=b^2$$

where “n” is the number of additional draw numbers and “b” is the number of bonus points. The number of additional draw numbers determines the number of draw numbers for that season for deer. The applicant’s lowest randomly assigned draw number is the number used for the drawing.

2. The bonus points accumulated by a person for a restricted nonresident deer hunt may not be transferred to any other person or applied to any other season.

3. The number of bonus points applicable to an application submitted by a group of persons applying as a party for restricted nonresident deer tags is the quotient of the total number of points held by the members of the group divided by the number of members in the group, rounded to the nearest whole number.

502.42375 Third-party errors.

1. The Department is not responsible for third-party errors, including errors committed by a bank or postal service. If an applicant for a restricted nonresident deer tag proves to the

satisfaction of the Department that the rejection of his or her application was due solely to a third-party error, and there is sufficient time to complete the processing of the application before the drawing for the tags is held, the Department shall include the application in that drawing.

2. If the application of an applicant who is entitled to participate in a bonus point program is not entered into that drawing solely because of a third-party error, and the applicant fails to obtain a restricted nonresident deer tag to participate in a hunt during the year the application was submitted, the applicant is entitled to a bonus point for that hunt.

3. As used in this section, "third-party error" means the failure to act or commission of an act, by a person or entity other than the Department or an applicant which is a ground for the rejection of an application pursuant to NAC 502.4235.

502.42377 Error by Department.

1. If the Department commits an error which results in the rejection or incorrect processing of an application for a restricted nonresident deer tag that has been submitted in compliance with the regulations of the Commission, the Department shall, if there are tags available for that hunt, issue a tag to the applicant. If no tags are available for that hunt, the Department shall award the applicant a bonus point for the category of the species for which the application was submitted. The bonus point is not effective until the next drawing for a nonresident deer hunt for that category of the species and expires upon the expiration of the period for submission of applications for that type of hunt in the next open season.

2. If the application was one of two or more applications submitted by a group of persons applying as a party for restricted nonresident deer tags, the Department shall treat the applicant in the same manner as the remaining members of his or her party.

502.4239 Questionnaire: Completion and submission to independent contractor designated by Department; correction; denial and reinstatement of certain privileges.

1. Unless otherwise provided by an annual regulation of the Commission, the questionnaire issued as part of a restricted nonresident deer tag must be properly completed and received by the independent contractor designated by the Department not later than 5 p.m. on January 31, or the next business day if January 31 falls on a weekend or state holiday, following the close of the season for which the tag was issued.

2. The Department shall annually designate and publish the name and address of an independent contractor who will receive the questionnaire pursuant to subsection 1.

3. A person who fails to return the questionnaire within the time specified or who submits incomplete or false information on the questionnaire will be denied all big game tags for 1 year. A person who has been denied a big game tag pursuant to this subsection may have those privileges reinstated if he or she:

(a) Using a postal service:

(1) Pays to the Department an administrative fine of \$50; and

(2) Submits to the independent contractor designated by the Department the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the restricted nonresident deer tag or the information required by the questionnaire, all of which must be received by the third Friday in March;

(b) Together with an application that is submitted electronically for a restricted nonresident deer tag:

(1) Pays to the Department an administrative fine of \$50; and

(2) Submits to the independent contractor designated by the Department the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the restricted nonresident deer tag or the information required by the questionnaire on or before the deadline for the application for the restricted nonresident deer hunt drawing; or

(c) Together with an application that is submitted electronically for a big game tag in the main drawing:

(1) Pays to the Department an administrative fine of \$50; and

(2) Submits to the independent contractor designated by the Department the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the big game tag or the information required by the questionnaire on or before the deadline for the application for the main draw.

4. The Department shall allow an applicant to correct a questionnaire if:

(a) The independent contractor receives the questionnaire and enters the information on the questionnaire into the computer;

(b) The questionnaire contains an error that causes the computer to send to the applicant a letter of rejection and blank correction document; and

(c) The independent contractor receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document.

5. If the independent contractor receives the completed correction document on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the independent contractor shall use the information contained in the correction document to update the applicant's file on the computer.

6. If the applicant submits a correction document that does not contain information sufficient to correct every error in the questionnaire or the correction document is not received

by the independent contractor on or before the deadline set forth in the correction document, the questionnaire will be considered incomplete pursuant to subsection 3.

502.4296 Third-party error.

1. The Department is not responsible for third-party errors, including those of a bank or postal service. If an applicant to obtain a Silver State Tag proves to the satisfaction of the Department that the rejection of his or her application was due solely to a third-party error, and there is sufficient time to complete the processing of the application before the drawing for which the application was submitted, the Department shall include the application in the procedure for awarding tags.

2. As used in this section, “third-party error” means the failure to act or commission of an act, by a person or entity other than the Department or an applicant to obtain a Silver State Tag, which provides a ground for rejecting an application pursuant to NAC 502.4297.

502.4297 Rejection of application.

1. The Department shall reject an application to obtain a Silver State Tag if any of the following occurs:

(a) The applicant fails to specify his or her name, date of birth, city or state on the application, unless that information exists in the computer file of the Department, in which case the application must not be rejected if the applicant has specified his or her name and client number.

(b) The applicant fails to specify or incorrectly specifies on the application the number of his or her hunting license and the year the license was issued, unless that information exists in the

computer file of the Department, in which case the application must not be rejected for that reason.

(c) The applicant fails to specify his or her social security number on the application for a hunting license if:

(1) The application for a hunting license is included with the application for a Silver State Tag; and

(2) The Social Security Administration has issued a social security number to the applicant.

(d) An applicant who is at least 12 years of age but not more than 17 years of age fails to obtain the signature of his or her parent or legal guardian on the application for a hunting license.

(e) The applicant fails to specify on the application the species for which the application was submitted and a valid hunter choice number for that type of hunt.

(f) The applicant fails to sign the application.

(g) The applicant fails to submit the fees required pursuant to NAC 502.4292 or his or her bank fails to honor the payment for those fees.

(h) The applicant fails to comply with the provisions of NAC 502.405, unless, on or before the deadline set forth in that section for the year in which the application is submitted, the applicant pays the applicable administrative fine and submits the properly completed questionnaire issued as part of the tag or the information required by the questionnaire.

(i) The applicant submits more than one application to hunt for the same species of wildlife during the same year, unless such an application is specifically authorized by the Commission. If

such an application is not specifically authorized by the Commission, all applications submitted by the applicant to hunt for the same species must be rejected.

(j) The application is received after the deadline set by the Commission.

(k) The applicant fails to comply with the provisions of NRS 502.330.

(l) The applicant provides false information on the application.

(m) The applicant is otherwise ineligible to apply for the Silver State Tag.

2. If an application is rejected by the Department pursuant to this section:

(a) The application must not be included in the procedure for awarding tags; and

(b) The nonrefundable application fee for a Silver State Tag for acting upon each application for a Silver State Tag, the fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat and, if included, the fee required pursuant to NRS 502.250 for each application for a Silver State Tag for elk must be retained by the Department.

3. If the Department rejects an application pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection 1 because the applicant failed to submit the fees required pursuant to NAC 502.4292, the applicant is ineligible to receive or exercise any privilege conferred upon him or her pursuant to title 45 of NRS until the Department receives:

(a) The nonrefundable application fee for a Silver State Tag for acting upon the application; and

(b) The fee required pursuant to NRS 502.253 for the support of programs to control predators and protect wildlife habitat.

4. The Department shall indicate that the applicant owes a fee in the file of the applicant maintained by the Department until the applicant pays all fees owed to the Department.

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to licensing of outdoor activities; revising provisions governing applications for a license, tag or permit to hunt, fish or trap; revising the fees for the issuance of an apprentice hunting license; revising the period of validity of a fishing license, hunting license and combination hunting and fishing license; requiring a tag to hunt any bighorn sheep, moose, mountain lion or mountain goat; revising various other provisions governing the issuance of, and the payment of fees for, certain licenses and permits; requiring the Department of Wildlife to use a portion of the fees charged and collected for certain purposes relating to wildlife; authorizing the use of not more than two combinations of hook, line and rod by one person at any time; providing for the renewal of a certificate of number for a motorboat; revising provisions governing the issuance or renewal of a certificate of number and an aquatic invasive species decal; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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Under existing law, the holder of a license or permit to hunt, fish or trap must sign a statement attesting to certain information. (NRS 502.030) Similarly, under existing law, if a child under the age of 18 years applies for a license to hunt, the child’s parent or legal guardian must sign the application and a statement indicating that the parent or legal guardian has been advised of certain provisions governing the liability of the parent or legal guardian for any negligent or willful misconduct of the child relating to the use of a firearm. (NRS 502.060) **Sections 1 and 2** of this bill authorize those statements to be acknowledged instead of signed by the holder or parent or guardian.

Existing law requires the Department of Wildlife to issue an apprentice hunting license to a person who is 12 years of age or older and pays certain fees for the license. An apprentice hunting license authorizes the person to hunt with a mentor hunter in this State. (NRS 502.066) **Section 3** of this bill deletes certain fees and instead requires a single payment of \$15 for the issuance of the license.

Under existing law, a license to hunt, fish or trap during open seasons is valid, with certain exceptions: (1) from the date the license is issued until the last day of the next succeeding February; or (2) from the first day of March immediately following the date the license is issued until the last day of the next succeeding February. (NRS 502.090) **Section 5** of this bill provides that a license to hunt, fish or trap during open seasons is valid for 1 year beginning on the date of purchase of the license.

Existing law requires a person to obtain an additional license, known as a tag, before hunting any deer, elk, antelope, mountain sheep or bear. (NRS 502.130) **Section 6** of this bill also requires a tag to hunt any bighorn sheep, moose, mountain lion or mountain goat.



Existing law authorizes an owner, lessee or manager of private land in this State to apply to the Department of Wildlife for the issuance of one or more tags to hunt deer or antelope as compensation for any damage caused by deer or antelope to the private land or any improvements on the private land. The Board of Wildlife Commissioners is required to adopt regulations establishing the maximum number of tags which the Department is authorized to issue annually for that purpose, which must not exceed 1.5 percent of the total number of deer and antelope tags which are authorized for issuance annually throughout this State. (NRS 502.145) **Section 6.5** of this bill increases that limitation to 2.5 percent of the total number of those deer and antelope tags issued annually.

Existing law sets forth the fees to be charged and collected by the Department of Wildlife for the issuance of annual licenses and limited permits to minors and residents and nonresidents of this State. (NRS 502.240) **Section 7** of this bill removes various fees, revises the types of licenses and permits that the Department is required to issue and establishes the fees that must be paid for those licenses and limited permits. **Sections 4, 9 and 10** of this bill make conforming changes.

Existing law requires a person to pay certain additional fees for the issuance of: (1) a hunting, trapping or fishing license; (2) documentation to hunt upland game birds; (3) a stamp to hunt ducks; and (4) a stamp to fish for trout. The additional fees collected are required to be accounted for separately in the Wildlife Account and used for certain purposes relating to wildlife. (NRS 502.242, 502.292, 502.294, 502.296, 502.300, 502.310, 502.322, 502.326, 502.3262, 502.3264) **Section 28** of this bill repeals the requirement for documentation to hunt upland game birds, a stamp to hunt ducks and a stamp to fish for trout. In lieu of imposing additional fees, **sections 8, 11, 14 and 16** of this bill require a certain percentage of the general licensing and permitting fees charged and collected by the Department of Wildlife to be used for certain purposes relating to wildlife. **Sections 12, 13, 15 and 17** of this bill make conforming changes.

Existing law requires the Department of Wildlife to administer the wildlife laws of this State and sets forth certain requirements for the issuance of a fishing or hunting license to a resident Native American of this State. (NRS 501.331, 502.280) **Section 9** of this bill: (1) requires the Department to issue a specialty combination fishing and hunting license to a resident Native American pursuant to the same methods as the Department issues such a license to certain other persons; and (2) requires the Department, when considering making any recommendations for proposed legislation relating to any fishing and hunting rights of a resident Native American or any Native American tribe in this State, to provide notice to and consult with each of those tribes or any other person specified by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners. **Section 9** authorizes the Nevada Indian Commission to provide any requested information or assistance to the Department in providing that notice and consultation. **Section 18.5** of this bill makes a conforming change.

Existing law makes it unlawful for a person to fish in the waters of this State in any manner other than with a hook and line which is attached to a rod and reel. Only one combination of hook, line and rod may be used by a person, except that a second combination of hook, line and rod may be used if certain conditions are met. (NRS 503.290) **Section 18** of this bill authorizes the use of not more than two combinations of hook, line and rod by one person at any time.

Existing law prohibits a person from operating a motorboat on the waters of this State unless certain conditions are satisfied, including that the owner obtain and display a certificate of ownership and a certificate of number. A certificate of number is valid for 1 year, unless sooner terminated or discontinued. (NRS 488.075, 488.125) **Section 19** of this bill authorizes the Board of Wildlife Commissioners to adopt regulations to make the certificate of number valid for



2 years. **Section 21** of this bill establishes the fee for the issuance or renewal of the certificate of number that is valid for 2 years if allowed. **Section 22** of this bill makes conforming changes.

Under existing law, a motorboat is not required to be numbered in this State if it is already covered by a number which has been awarded to it pursuant to a federally approved numbering system of another state and if the motorboat has not been on the waters of this State for more than 90 consecutive days. The owner of the motorboat is required to record the number awarded in the other state before operating the motorboat for longer than 90 consecutive days. (NRS 488.085, 488.175) **Sections 20 and 23** of this bill delete the 90 consecutive days limitation from those provisions. **Section 23** also requires a motorboat to be numbered and a certificate of number issued in this State if: (1) the motorboat is not numbered in this State; (2) the owner or operator of the motorboat is a resident of another state; and (3) this State is or will be the state of principal operation of the motorboat during a calendar year.

Existing law prohibits a person from operating a vessel on the waters of this State unless the person pays an aquatic invasive species fee and attaches an aquatic invasive species decal to the port side transom of the vessel in a distinctly visible manner. Each aquatic invasive species decal expires at the end of each calendar year. (NRS 488.536) **Section 24** of this bill revises the amount of the fees that must be paid for an aquatic invasive species decal and the circumstances under which a person must pay those fees. **Section 24** also: (1) provides that an aquatic invasive species decal is valid for 1 year, or 2 years if allowed by regulations adopted by the Board of Wildlife Commissioners; (2) authorizes the Commission to adopt regulations for the renewal of an aquatic invasive species decal; and (3) sets forth the fee for the issuance or renewal of an aquatic invasive species decal which is valid for 2 years if allowed.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 502.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.030 1. Licenses or permits granting the privilege to hunt, fish or trap as provided in this title must be of such a form as is deemed necessary by the Department, but must include the following information:

- (a) The holder's name, address and description.
- (b) The date issued.
- (c) The period of validity.
- (d) The correct designation as to whether a fishing, hunting or trapping license or permit.

(e) A statement ~~to be signed~~ *acknowledged* by the holder ~~;-;~~ *at the time of application:* "I, the ~~signator~~ holder ~~in signing~~ *of* this license or permit, hereby state that I am entitled to this license or permit under the laws of the State of Nevada and that no false statement has been made by me to obtain this license or permit."



2. The Commission may provide rules and regulations requiring an applicant to exhibit proof of the applicant's identity and residence. Such information must be included on the license or permit as is deemed necessary by the Department.

3. The Commission may provide rules and regulations establishing a permanent licensing or permitting system. Such a system may authorize the use of applications for the issuance of temporary hunting, fishing and trapping licenses or permits for residents and the issuance of annual licenses or permits therefrom. The system may provide for the automatic renewal and validation of the annual license or permit.

4. The Commission may adopt regulations setting forth the method of applying for, the term and expiration date of any license or permit required by this title to be issued without the payment of a fee.

Sec. 2. NRS 502.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.060 1. A person applying for and procuring a license, tag or permit, as provided in this chapter, shall give to the license agent the person's name and residence address, which must be entered by the license agent, manually or electronically in a record specified by the Department, together with the date of issuance and a description of the person. If a child under the age of 18 years is applying for a license to hunt, the child's parent or legal guardian must ~~sign~~ **acknowledge in** the application ~~and~~ an attached statement ~~acknowledging~~ **indicating** that the parent or legal guardian has been advised of the provisions of NRS 41.472.

2. ***In addition to the information required pursuant to subsection 1, the person, or the parent or legal guardian of a child, applying for a license, tag or permit shall, at the time of application, acknowledge the following statement: "I, the holder of this license, tag or permit, hereby state that I am entitled to this license, tag or permit under the laws of the State of Nevada and that no false statement has been made to obtain this license, tag or permit."***

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~3~~ 4, any person who makes any false statement or furnishes false information to obtain any license, tag or permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this title is guilty of a misdemeanor.

~~3~~ 4. Any person who makes any false statement or furnishes false information to obtain any big game tag issued pursuant to the provisions of this title is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.



~~14.1~~ 5. It is unlawful for any person to hunt, fish or trap using any hunting, fishing or trapping license which is invalid by reason of expiration or a false statement made to obtain the license.

~~15.1~~ 6. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of subsection ~~12.1~~ 3 or ~~13.1~~ 4 forfeits any bonus point or other increased opportunity to be awarded a tag in a subsequent drawing conducted for that tag if the bonus point or other increased opportunity was acquired by the false statement or false information.

~~16.1~~ 7. As used in this section, "big game tag" means a tag permitting a person to hunt any species of pronghorn antelope, bear, deer, mountain goat, mountain lion, *moose*, bighorn sheep or elk.

Sec. 3. NRS 502.066 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.066 1. The Department shall issue an apprentice hunting license to a person who:

(a) Is 12 years of age or older;

(b) Has not previously been issued a hunting license by the Department, another state, an agency of a Canadian province or an agency of any other foreign country, including, without limitation, an apprentice hunting license; and

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, is otherwise qualified to obtain a hunting license in this State.

2. ~~Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the~~ **The** Department shall ~~not impose~~ **charge and collect** a fee **in the amount of \$15** for the issuance of an apprentice hunting license. ~~For each apprentice hunting license issued, the applicant or the mentor hunter for the applicant shall pay:~~

~~—(a) Any service fee required by a license agent pursuant to NRS 502.040;~~

~~—(b) The habitat conservation fee required by NRS 502.242; and~~

~~—(c) Any transaction fee that is set forth in a contract of this State with a third party electronic services provider for each online transaction that is conducted with the Department.]~~

3. An apprentice hunting license authorizes the apprentice hunter to hunt in this State as provided in this section.

4. It is unlawful for an apprentice hunter to hunt in this State unless a mentor hunter accompanies and directly supervises the apprentice hunter at all times during a hunt. During the hunt, the mentor hunter shall ensure that:

(a) The apprentice hunter safely handles and operates the firearm or weapon used by the apprentice hunter; and

(b) The apprentice hunter complies with all applicable laws and regulations concerning hunting and the use of firearms.



5. A person is not required to complete a course of instruction in the responsibilities of hunters as provided in NRS 502.340 to obtain an apprentice hunting license.

6. The issuance of an apprentice hunting license does not:

(a) Authorize the apprentice hunter to obtain any other hunting license;

(b) Authorize the apprentice hunter to hunt any animal for which a tag is required pursuant to NRS 502.130; or

(c) Exempt the apprentice hunter from any requirement of this title.

7. The Commission may adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.

8. As used in this section:

(a) "Accompanies and directly supervises" means maintains close visual and verbal contact with, provides adequate direction to and maintains the ability readily to assume control of any firearm or weapon from an apprentice hunter.

(b) "Apprentice hunter" means a person who obtains an apprentice hunting license pursuant to this section.

(c) "Mentor hunter" means a person 18 years of age or older who holds a hunting license issued in this State and who accompanies and directly supervises an apprentice hunter. The term does not include a person who holds an apprentice hunting license pursuant to this section.

Sec. 4. NRS 502.072 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.072 The Department shall issue ~~without charge~~ any license authorized under the provisions of this chapter, upon *payment of the applicable fee pursuant to NRS 502.240 and* satisfactory proof of the requisite facts to any bona fide resident of the State of Nevada who has incurred a service-connected disability which is considered to be 50 percent or more by the Department of Veterans Affairs and has received upon severance from service an honorable discharge or certificate of satisfactory service from the Armed Forces of the United States.

Sec. 5. NRS 502.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.090 1. Each license issued as provided in this chapter is valid, and authorizes the person to whom it is issued to hunt, to fish or to trap during open seasons only during the period specified on the license.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of NRS 502.015 and unless suspended or revoked, each fishing license, hunting license and combined hunting and fishing license is valid ~~to~~



~~—(a) From] for 1 year beginning on~~ the date the license is ~~issued until the last day of the next succeeding February; or~~

~~—(b) From the first day of March immediately following the date the license is issued until the last day of the next succeeding February;~~

~~→] purchased~~ as specified on the license.

Sec. 6. NRS 502.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.130 1. In addition to the regular hunting licenses and trapping licenses provided for in this chapter, additional licenses, to be known as tags, are required to hunt any deer, elk, antelope, ~~mountain] bighorn~~ sheep, ~~or] bear [],~~ *moose, mountain lion or mountain goat.*

2. Whenever it is determined by the Commission that it is necessary for correct management:

(a) Tags also may be required to hunt, trap or fish for any other species of wildlife. The Commission may limit the number of tags to be used in a management area.

(b) Permits and seals may be required to hunt, trap, fish or to possess any species of wildlife.

3. The Commission shall set the fee for all permits and seals issued pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2.

Sec. 6.5. NRS 502.145 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.145 1. An owner, lessee or manager of private land in this State may apply to the Department for the issuance to him or her of one or more deer or antelope tags as provided in this section. The tags must be issued as compensation for damage caused by deer or antelope to the private land or to any improvements thereon.

2. An application made pursuant to this section must:

(a) Be made in the form prescribed by the Department;

(b) Establish to the satisfaction of the Department that the applicant has sustained damage of the kind described in subsection 1; and

(c) Be accompanied by the fee charged for the tags pursuant to NRS 502.250 and any fee charged for administrative costs.

3. The Department shall review the application, may conduct any investigation it deems appropriate and, if it approves the application, shall issue to the applicant not more than one tag for each 50 animals present on the private land owned, leased or managed by the applicant. Both deer and antelope tags may be issued to an applicant.

4. A tag issued as compensation for damage pursuant to this section:



(a) May be used by the owner, lessee or manager of the private land if the owner, lessee or manager holds a valid Nevada hunting license, or may be sold by that person to any holder of a valid Nevada hunting license at any price mutually agreed upon;

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c), must be used on the private land or in the unit or units within the management area or areas in which the private land is located; and

(c) May only be used during:

(1) The open season for the species for which the tag is issued; or

(2) A season prescribed by regulation of the Commission for the use of such tags only on the private land.

5. As a condition of receiving a tag from the Department pursuant to this section, an owner, lessee or manager who is lawfully in control of private land that blocks access to adjacent public land must provide access to the public land during the hunting season to a person or hunting party with a tag for the purpose of hunting on the public land.

6. Insofar as they are consistent with this section, the provisions of this title and of the regulations adopted by the Commission apply to the issuance and use of tags pursuant to this section. The Commission:

(a) Shall by regulation establish the maximum number of tags which may be issued annually by the Department pursuant to this section, which must not exceed ~~H.5~~ 2.5 percent of the total number of deer and antelope tags which are authorized for issuance annually throughout the State; and

(b) May adopt any other regulations it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 7. NRS 502.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.240 ~~{The Department shall issue annual licenses and limited permits:~~

~~—1. To any person who has not attained his or her 16th birthday and who has been a bona fide resident of the State of Nevada for 6 months immediately preceding the person's application for a license, upon payment of a fee of \$10 for an annual trapping license.~~

~~—2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 502.083, 502.245 and 504.390, to any person who has attained his or her 16th birthday and who has been a bona fide resident of the State of Nevada for 6 months immediately preceding the person's application for a license, upon the payment of a fee of:~~



For an annual fishing license.....	\$25
For a 1 day permit to fish.....	8
For each consecutive day added to a 1 day permit to fish.....	3
For a hunting license.....	29
For a combined hunting and fishing license.....	50
For a trapping license.....	38
For a fur dealer's license.....	63
For an annual master guide's license.....	750
For an annual subguide's license.....	125

~~3. To any person who has attained his or her 12th birthday but who has not attained his or her 16th birthday, and who is not a bona fide resident of the State of Nevada, upon the payment of a fee of \$17 for an annual fishing license.~~

~~4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 and NRS 502.083, to any person who is not a bona fide resident of the State of Nevada, upon the payment of a fee of:~~

For an annual fishing license.....	\$65
For a 1 day permit to fish.....	17
For each consecutive day added to a 1 day permit to fish.....	7
For an annual license to fish solely in the reciprocal waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake.....	25
For a hunting license.....	138
For a combined hunting and fishing license.....	195
For an annual trapper's license.....	188
For a fur dealer's license.....	125
For an annual master guide's license.....	1,500
For an annual subguide's license.....	250
For a 1 day permit to hunt upland game and migratory game birds.....	20
For each consecutive day added to a 1 day permit to hunt upland game and migratory game birds.....	8

~~5. To~~
1. The Department shall issue:



(a) Resident licenses and limited permits pursuant to this section to any person who is a resident of this State pursuant to NRS 502.015.

(b) Nonresident licenses and limited permits pursuant to this section to any person who does not qualify as a resident of this State pursuant to NRS 502.015.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 504.390, the Department shall issue a license or permit to any person who is 18 years or older upon the payment of the following fee for:

<i>A resident annual fishing license.....</i>	<i>\$40</i>
<i>A resident 1-day permit to fish</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Each consecutive day added to a resident 1-day permit to fish.....</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>A resident annual hunting license.....</i>	<i>38</i>
<i>A resident annual combination hunting and fishing license.....</i>	<i>75</i>
<i>A resident trapping license.....</i>	<i>40</i>
<i>A resident fur dealer's license.....</i>	<i>63</i>
<i>A resident master guide's license.....</i>	<i>750</i>
<i>A resident subguide's license</i>	<i>125</i>
<i>A nonresident annual fishing license</i>	<i>80</i>
<i>A nonresident annual license to fish solely in the reciprocal waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead, Lake Mojave, Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake.....</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>A nonresident 1-day permit to fish.....</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>Each consecutive day added to a nonresident 1-day permit to fish.....</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>A nonresident annual combination hunting and fishing license.....</i>	<i>155</i>
<i>A nonresident trapping license.....</i>	<i>188</i>
<i>A nonresident fur dealer's license</i>	<i>125</i>
<i>A nonresident master guide's license</i>	<i>1,500</i>
<i>A nonresident subguide's license.....</i>	<i>250</i>
<i>A nonresident 1-day combination permit to fish and hunt upland game birds and migratory game birds.....</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Each consecutive day added to a nonresident 1-day combination permit to fish and hunt upland game birds and migratory game birds.....</i>	<i>8</i>



3. *The Department shall issue a license to any person who is at least 12 years of age but less than 18 years of age upon payment of the following fee for:*

<i>A resident youth combination hunting and fishing license.....</i>	<i>\$15</i>
<i>A resident youth trapping license.....</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>A nonresident youth combination hunting and fishing license.....</i>	<i>15</i>

4. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the Department shall issue an annual resident specialty combination hunting and fishing license pursuant to this chapter upon satisfactory proof of the requisite facts and the payment of a fee of \$15 to:*

(a) Any person who has been considered to be a resident of this State pursuant to NRS 502.015 continuously for the 5 years immediately preceding the date of application for the license and is 65 years of age or older.

(b) Any person who is a resident of this State pursuant to NRS 502.015 and who has a severe physical disability.

(c) Any person who is a resident of this State pursuant to NRS 502.015 and who has incurred a service-connected disability specified in NRS 502.072.

5. *The Department shall issue an annual resident specialty combination hunting and fishing license pursuant to this chapter upon satisfactory proof of the requisite facts and the payment of a fee of \$10 to any resident Native American of this State pursuant to NRS 502.280.*

6. *The Department shall issue to* any person, without regard to residence, upon the payment of a fee of:

For a noncommercial license for the possession of live wildlife	\$15
For a commercial or private shooting preserve	125
For a commercial license for the possession of live wildlife	500
For a live bait dealer's permit.....	44
For a competitive field trials permit	31
For a permit to train dogs or falcons	15
For a 1-year falconry license	38
For a 3-year falconry license	94
For an importation permit.....	15



For an import eligibility permit \$31
 For an exportation permit 15
 For any other special permit issued by the
 Department, a fee not to exceed the highest
 fee established for any other special permit
 set by the Commission.

7. As used in this section, “severe physical disability” means a physical disability which materially limits a person’s ability to engage in gainful employment.

Sec. 8. NRS 502.242 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.242 1. ~~In addition to any fee~~ *On or before August 30 of each year, an amount of money which is equal to 5.25 percent of the fees* charged and collected *during the immediately preceding fiscal year* for ~~an annual~~ hunting, trapping, fishing or ~~combined~~ *combination* hunting and fishing ~~license~~ *licenses or limited permits* pursuant to NRS 502.240 ~~, a habitat conservation fee of \$3 must be paid.~~

~~2. Revenue from the habitat conservation fee~~ must be accounted for separately, deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Wildlife Account and, except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS 502.294 and 502.310, used by the Department for the purposes of wildlife habitat rehabilitation and restoration. Each year, not more than 18 percent of the money credited to the Wildlife Account from any revenue received pursuant to subsection 1 may be used to monitor wildlife and its habitat for those purposes.

~~3. 2.~~ The money in the Wildlife Account credited pursuant to this section remains in the Account and does not revert to the State General Fund at the end of any fiscal year.

Sec. 9. NRS 502.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.280 1. ~~All~~ *Any* resident Native ~~Americans~~ *American* of the State of Nevada ~~are exempt from the payment of fees~~ *may apply for a specialty combination* fishing and hunting ~~licenses~~ *license*.

~~2.~~ When applying for a ~~free~~ *specialty combination* fishing ~~or~~ *and* hunting license, ~~the~~ *the* resident Native American ~~of the State of Nevada~~ shall exhibit a document issued in this State by the chair of a tribal council or chief of a Native American tribe, or an officer of a reservation, colony or educational institution, stating that the bearer is a resident Native American of the State of Nevada.

~~3. 2.~~ *The Department shall issue a specialty combination fishing and hunting license to a resident Native American*



pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 502.240 pursuant to the same methods as the Department issues a specialty combination fishing and hunting license to a person pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 502.240.

3. Before hunting for deer or big game off an Indian reservation in this State, all Native Americans ~~[- otherwise exempt under subsection 1 -]~~ must secure resident deer tags or other resident big game tags and pay the fee provided therefor in NRS 502.250.

4. *If the Department is considering whether to make any recommendations for proposed legislation relating to any fishing and hunting rights of a resident Native American or any Native American tribe in this State, the Department shall, in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission:*

(a) Provide notice of the proposed action to each of those tribes or any other person specified in those regulations; and

(b) Consult with each of those tribes and persons concerning the proposed action.

5. *Upon request by the Department, the Nevada Indian Commission may provide information or assistance to the Department in carrying out the provisions of this section.*

6. *The Commission shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.*

Sec. 10. NRS 502.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.290 1. The Commission is authorized to issue to those persons serving in the Armed Forces of the United States who are bona fide residents of the State of Nevada *a specialty combination fishing ~~[- and hunting licenses, upon the payment of \$5 for each license.] license,~~* provided those persons requesting the licenses are at the time on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and are not stationed in the State of Nevada.

2. The Commission may require whatever proof it deems necessary to determine whether such persons come within the provisions of this section.

3. Any person who is guilty of giving false information to obtain a license as provided in this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 11. NRS 502.294 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.294 ~~[- All money received pursuant to NRS 502.292]~~ *On or before August 30 of each year, an amount of money which is equal to 3.5 percent of the fees charged and collected during the immediately preceding fiscal year for hunting, fishing or combination hunting and fishing licenses or limited permits pursuant to NRS 502.240* must be deposited with the State



Treasurer for credit to the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund. The Department shall maintain separate accounting records for the receipt and expenditure of that money. An amount not to exceed 10 percent of that money may be used to reimburse the Department for the cost of administering ~~the program of documentation.~~ *any project approved pursuant to NRS 502.296.* This amount is in addition to compensation allowed persons authorized to issue and sell licenses.

Sec. 12. NRS 502.296 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.296 1. Before the Department may undertake any project using money ~~received~~ *deposited* pursuant to NRS ~~{502.292, 502.294,~~ it must analyze the project and provide the Commission with recommendations as to the need for the project and its feasibility.

2. Money ~~received~~ *deposited* pursuant to NRS ~~502.292~~ *502.294* must be used for projects approved by the Commission for the protection and propagation of upland game birds and for the acquisition, development and preservation of the habitats of upland game birds in this State.

Sec. 13. NRS 502.298 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.298 The Department shall, not later than the fifth calendar day of each regular session of the Legislature, submit to it a report summarizing any projects undertaken ~~and~~ *pursuant to NRS 502.296, including, without limitation,* the receipt and expenditure of money and public benefits achieved by ~~the program for the sale of documentation to hunt any upland game bird, except turkey and crow.~~ *those projects.*

Sec. 14. NRS 502.310 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.310 ~~{All money received pursuant to NRS 502.300}~~ *On or before August 30 of each year, an amount of money which is equal to 1 percent of the fees charged and collected during the immediately preceding fiscal year for hunting, fishing or combination hunting and fishing licenses or limited permits pursuant to NRS 502.240* must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund. The Department shall maintain separate accounting records for the receipt and expenditure of that money. An amount not to exceed 10 percent of that money may be used to reimburse the Department for the cost of administering ~~the state duck stamp programs.~~ *any projects for waterfowl approved pursuant to NRS 502.322.* This amount is in addition to compensation allowed persons authorized to issue and sell licenses.



Sec. 15. NRS 502.322 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.322 1. Before the Department may undertake any project using money ~~received~~ *deposited* pursuant to NRS ~~502.300,~~ *502.310*, it shall analyze the project and provide the Commission with recommendations as to the need for the project and its feasibility.

2. Money ~~received~~ *deposited* pursuant to NRS ~~502.300~~ *502.310* must be used for projects approved by the Commission for the protection, propagation and management of ~~migratory game birds,~~ *waterfowl* and for the acquisition, development and preservation of wetlands in Nevada.

Sec. 16. NRS 502.3262 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.3262 ~~All money received pursuant to NRS 502.326~~ *On or before August 30 of each year, an amount of money which is equal to 8.5 percent of the fees charged and collected during the immediately preceding fiscal year for hunting, fishing or combination hunting and fishing licenses or limited permits pursuant to NRS 502.240* must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund. The Department shall maintain separate accounting records for the receipt and expenditure of that money. An amount not to exceed 10 percent of that money may be used to reimburse the Department for the cost of administering the trout ~~stamp~~ program ~~+~~ *and any purpose specified in NRS 502.3264*. This amount is in addition to the compensation allowed persons authorized to issue and sell licenses.

Sec. 17. NRS 502.3264 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.3264 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 502.3262, all money ~~received~~ *deposited* pursuant to NRS ~~502.326~~ *502.3262* must be used for the protection, propagation and management of trout in this State and for the payment of any bonded indebtedness incurred therefor.

Sec. 18. NRS 503.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

503.290 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, it is unlawful for any person to fish in or from any of the waters of the State of Nevada for any fish of any species in any manner other than with hook and line attached to a rod or reel closely attended in the manner known as angling. ~~Only one combination~~ *Not more than two combinations* of hook, line and rod ~~must~~ *may* be used by one person at any time . ~~+~~ ~~except that a second combination of hook, line and rod may be used by a person if the person:~~



~~—(a) Purchases from the Department or a license agent of the Department a stamp, permit or such documentation as may be provided by the Department for a second rod;~~

~~—(b) Uses the rod in the manner prescribed in this section; and~~

~~—(c) Has in his or her possession a valid fishing license, combined hunting and fishing license or permit to fish issued to the person by the Department, or such documentation as the Department provides as proof that the person has paid to the Department, for the licensing period that includes the time the person is fishing, the fee required pursuant to this section.~~

~~→ The fee for the stamp, permit or documentation is \$10, and the stamp, permit or documentation is valid only for the period for which it is issued.]~~

2. The Commission may by regulation authorize other methods for taking fish. Frogs may be taken by spear, bow and arrow, hook and line or by other methods authorized by the Commission's regulation.

3. For the purposes of this section, "hook" includes not more than three baited hooks, not more than three fly hooks or not more than two plugs or similar lures. No more than two such plugs or lures, irrespective of the number of hooks or attractor blades attached thereto, may be attached to the line.

Sec. 18.5. NRS 233A.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

233A.100 The Commission may:

1. Appoint advisory committees whenever necessary or appropriate to assist and advise the Commission in the performance of its duties and responsibilities under this chapter.

2. Negotiate and contract with such other agencies, public or private, as it deems necessary or appropriate for such services, facilities, studies and reports to the Commission as will best enable it to carry out the purposes for which it is created.

3. Cooperate with and secure the cooperation of state, county, city and other agencies, including Indian tribes, bands, colonies and groups and intertribal organizations in connection with its study or investigation of any matter within the scope of this chapter or NRS 383.150 to 383.190, inclusive.

4. Provide any information or assistance requested by the Department of Wildlife pursuant to NRS 502.280.

Sec. 19. NRS 488.075 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.075 1. The owner of each motorboat requiring numbering by this State shall file an application for a number and



for a certificate of ownership with the Department on forms approved by it accompanied by:

(a) Proof of payment of Nevada sales or use tax as evidenced by proof of sale by a Nevada dealer or by a certificate of use tax paid issued by the Department of Taxation, or by proof of exemption from those taxes as provided in NRS 372.320.

(b) Such evidence of ownership as the Department may require.

→ The Department shall not issue a number, a certificate of number or a certificate of ownership until this evidence is presented to it.

2. The application must be signed by the owner of the motorboat and must be accompanied by ~~fat~~:

(a) A fee of \$20 for the certificate of ownership ; and ~~fat~~

(b) *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 488.125, an annual* fee according to the following schedule as determined by the straight line length which is measured from the tip of the bow to the back of the transom of the motorboat:

Less than 13 feet.....	\$20
13 feet or more but less than 18 feet.....	25
18 feet or more but less than 22 feet.....	40
22 feet or more but less than 26 feet.....	55
26 feet or more but less than 31 feet.....	75
31 feet or more	100

Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all fees received by the Department under the provisions of this chapter must be deposited in the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund and, except as otherwise provided in NRS 488.536, may be expended only for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter. On or before December 31 of each year, the Department shall deposit with the respective county school districts 50 percent of each fee collected according to the motorboat’s length for every motorboat registered from their respective counties. Upon receipt of the application in approved form, the Department shall enter the application upon the records of its office and issue to the applicant a certificate of number stating the number awarded to the motorboat, a certificate of ownership stating the same information and the name and address of the registered owner and the legal owner.

3. ~~fat~~ *The Commission shall adopt regulations providing for the renewal of a* certificate of number ~~may be renewed each year~~ by the purchase of a validation decal. The fee for a validation decal is determined by the straight line length of the motorboat and is equivalent to the fee set forth in the schedule provided in



paragraph (b) of subsection 2. The amount of the fee for issuing a duplicate validation decal is \$20.

4. The owner shall paint on or attach to each side of the bow of the motorboat the identification number in such manner as may be prescribed by regulations of the Commission in order that the number may be clearly visible. The number must be maintained in legible condition.

5. The certificate of number must be available at all times for inspection on the motorboat for which issued, whenever the motorboat is in operation.

6. The Commission shall provide by regulation for the issuance of numbers to manufacturers and dealers which may be used interchangeably upon motorboats operated by the manufacturers and dealers in connection with the demonstration, sale or exchange of those motorboats. The amount of the fee for each such a number is \$20.

Sec. 20. NRS 488.085 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.085 The owner of any motorboat already covered by a number in effect which has been awarded to it pursuant to a federally approved numbering system of another state must record the number before operating the motorboat on the waters of this ~~state in excess of the 90-day reciprocity period provided for in NRS 488.175.~~ *State*. The recordation must be in the manner and pursuant to the procedure required for the award of a number under NRS 488.075, but no additional or substitute number may be issued.

Sec. 21. NRS 488.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.125 1. Every certificate of number awarded pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall continue in full force and effect for a period of 1 year , *or 2 years if allowed by regulations adopted by the Commission*, unless sooner terminated or discontinued in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

2. *The fee for the issuance or renewal of a certificate of number for 2 years, if allowed, is an amount which is equal to twice the annual fee for the motorboat set forth in paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 488.075.*

3. Certificates of number may be renewed by the owner *in accordance with regulations adopted* pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 488.075.

Sec. 22. NRS 488.135 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.135 The Department shall fix a day and month of the year on which certificates of number ~~due to~~ expire ~~during the calendar year lapse~~ unless renewed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.



Sec. 23. NRS 488.175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.175 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~subsection 2,~~ *this section*, a motorboat need not be numbered pursuant to the provisions of this chapter if it is:

(a) Already covered by a number in effect which has been awarded or issued to it pursuant to a federally approved numbering system of another state . ~~if the boat has not been on the waters of this State for a period in excess of 90 consecutive days.~~

(b) A motorboat from a country other than the United States temporarily using the waters of this State.

(c) A public vessel of the United States, a state or a political subdivision of a state.

(d) A ship's lifeboat.

(e) A motorboat belonging to a class of boats which has been exempted from numbering by the Department after the Department has found:

(1) That the numbering of motorboats of that class will not materially aid in their identification; and

(2) If an agency of the Federal Government has a numbering system applicable to the class of motorboats to which the motorboat in question belongs, that the motorboat would also be exempt from numbering if it were subject to the federal law.

2. *If the owner or operator of a motorboat which is not numbered in this State is a resident of another state, and if this State is or will be the state of principal operation of the motorboat during a calendar year, the motorboat must be numbered and a certificate of number issued for the motorboat pursuant to this chapter. As used in this subsection, "state of principal operation" means a state in whose waters a motorboat is primarily operated during a calendar year.*

3. The Department may, by regulation, provide for the issuance of exempt numbers for motorboats not required to be registered under the provisions of this chapter.

~~3.~~ 4. A motorboat need not be titled pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, if it is:

(a) Covered by a certificate of ownership which has been awarded or issued to it pursuant to the title system of another state; or

(b) Documented pursuant to 46 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.

Sec. 24. NRS 488.536 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.536 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~6,~~ 7, a person shall not operate a vessel on the waters of this State unless the person has:



(a) Paid to the Department the aquatic invasive species fee established pursuant to subsection 4; and

(b) Attached the aquatic invasive species decal issued pursuant to subsection 2 to the port side transom of the vessel so that the decal is distinctly visible.

2. The Department shall issue to a person who pays the fee established pursuant to subsection 4 an aquatic invasive species decal as evidence of the payment of the aquatic invasive species fee.

3. ~~Aquatic invasive species decals expire at the end of each calendar year.~~ *The Department shall fix a day and month of the year on which an aquatic invasive species decal expires.* Only ~~the~~ *a valid* decal ~~for the current year~~ may be displayed on a vessel.

4. The Commission shall establish by regulation an *annual* aquatic invasive species fee, which:

(a) For a motorboat which is owned or operated by a person ~~who is a resident~~ *on the waters* of this State, must not exceed ~~\$10;~~ *\$12; and*

(b) For a vessel, other than a motorboat, which is owned or operated by a person ~~who is a resident~~ *on the waters* of this State, must not exceed \$5 . ~~‡~~

~~(c) For a motorboat which is owned or operated by a nonresident of this State, must be \$20; and~~

~~(d) For a vessel, other than a motorboat, which is owned or operated by a nonresident of this State, must be \$10. ‡~~

5. ~~The~~ *Each* aquatic invasive species ~~fee established pursuant to subsection 4 must be paid annually~~ *decal is valid for 1 year, or 2 years if allowed by regulations adopted by the Commission. The Commission may adopt regulations for the renewal of an aquatic invasive species decal. The fee for the issuance or renewal of the decal for 2 years, if allowed, is an amount which is equal to twice the annual fee set forth in subsection 4. The fee* for the issuance *or renewal* of an aquatic invasive species decal ~~‡. The fee~~ must be deposited in the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund and used by the Department for enforcement of this section and NRS 488.530, 488.533 and 503.597 and for education about and management of aquatic invasive species.

6. The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who operates a vessel on the waters of:

(a) The Colorado River, Lake Mead or Lake Mohave if, as determined by the Department, the vessel is registered in Arizona and Arizona has a program in effect for the management of aquatic invasive species; or



(b) Lake Tahoe or Topaz Lake if, as determined by the Department, the vessel is registered in California and California has a program in effect for the management of aquatic invasive species.

Sec. 25. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

Sec. 26. Any license, tag or permit to hunt, fish or trap issued or renewed by the Department of Wildlife before January 1, 2018, remains valid for the period for which the Department issued or renewed the license, tag or permit, if the holder of the license, tag or permit otherwise remains qualified to hold the license, tag or permit during that period.

Sec. 27. The amendatory provisions of sections 8, 11, 14 and 16 of this act do not apply to Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

Sec. 28. NRS 502.083, 502.245, 502.292, 502.300 and 502.326 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 29. 1. This section and section 6.5 of this act become effective upon passage and approval.

2. Sections 1 to 6, inclusive, and 7 to 28, inclusive, of this act become effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations or performing any preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

(b) On January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.

