## REVISED PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

## **BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS**

## LCB File No. R150-09

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 501.105 and 501.181; §§2-4, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 502.160.

A REGULATION relating to junior hunts; expanding the period of eligibility for applicants for a junior hunt; revising provisions relating to the number of years for which an applicant may apply for a junior hunt; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Section 1.** NAC 502.063 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.063 "Junior hunt" means a hunt authorized by a regulation of the Commission which is limited to an applicant who:

- 1. Possesses a hunting license or a combined hunting and fishing license;
- 2. Will attain his 12th birthday before the first day of each hunting season to which his application relates; and
- 3. Will not attain his [17th] 18th birthday until after the last day of each hunting season to which his application relates.
  - **Sec. 2.** NAC 502.333 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 502.333 A person who is otherwise eligible to apply for a junior hunt may apply for a junior hunt for not more than [4] 5 years.
  - **Sec. 3.** NAC 502.4189 is hereby amended to read as follows:

502.4189 1. Each applicant in a drawing for a tag for a season receives a number of additional draw numbers that is equal to the number of bonus points that he 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 the species or category of the species for which the application was submitted. The applicant's lowest randomly assigned draw number is the number used for the drawing.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, bonus points accumulated by a person for a season cannot be transferred to any other person or any other season unless:
  - (a) The applicant changes his state of residence;
  - (b) The applicant requests in writing that the Department transfer those bonus points; and
  - (c) The Department approves the request for the transfer.
- → Bonus points transferred pursuant to this subsection apply to the same type of hunt to which they applied before the transfer.
- 3. The number of bonus points applicable to applications submitted by a group pursuant to NAC 502.4185 for tags to hunt deer 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.
- 4. If a person has applied for a junior hunt for [4] 5 years or becomes ineligible to participate in a junior hunt because of his age, each unused bonus point accumulated by that

person for a junior hunt automatically transfers to the category for antlered mule deer. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a bonus point accumulated by the person for a junior hunt in a year in which the person also accumulated a bonus point in the category for antlered mule deer.

- **Sec. 4.** If a person who is ineligible to participate in a junior hunt because of his age becomes eligible to participate in a junior hunt pursuant to the amendatory provisions of this regulation, the Department of Wildlife shall:
- 1. Reinstate to the category for the junior hunt each unused bonus point accumulated by that person and automatically transferred pursuant to subsection 4 of NAC 502.4189 before the effective date of this regulation;
- 2. Reduce the number of bonus points in the category for antlered mule deer by the number of bonus points transferred pursuant to subsection 1; and
- 3. Retain in the category for antiered mule deer each bonus point which was earned by the person before the effective date of this regulation for each unsuccessful application for the issuance of a tag to hunt mule deer.