

No. 2008-101

AN ACT

HB 747

Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a special license and license auction to hunt one elk.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 2706.2 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

§ 2706.2. **[Application limitation] Elk hunting licenses.**

(a) *Application limitation.*—Whenever the commission makes a determination to authorize a hunting season for the taking of elk, no person may submit more than one application for an elk hunting license in any license year.

(b) *License auction.*—*The commission is authorized to auction off a special license to hunters interested in the opportunity to hunt one elk subject to the following:*

(1) *One license shall be auctioned annually.*

(2) *The auction shall be open to residents and nonresidents of this Commonwealth.*

(3) *The commission may, under 62 Pa.C.S. Pt. I (relating to Commonwealth Procurement Code), contract with a wildlife conservation organization to implement and conduct the auction. The commission shall promulgate regulations for the use of the license, remitting funds to the commission and conduct of the auction.*

(4) *The contracted organization shall retain no more than 20% of the proceeds from the auction. The contracted organization shall report annually to the commission on the use of the proceeds from the auction. The remaining proceeds from the auction shall be used by the commission for the elk program in this Commonwealth in addition to any other funds available to the commission for that purpose. The commission shall include in its annual report to the General Assembly the use of all proceeds from the auction.*

(5) *All license fees shall be paid to the commission.*

(6) *This subsection shall expire July 1, 2013.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 9th day of October, A.D. 2008.

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