

1 AN ACT relating to elk hunting permits.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 150 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) As used in this section, "Elk Zone" means the sixteen (16) county elk restoration*
6 *zone which includes the following Kentucky counties: Bell, Breathitt, Clay,*
7 *Floyd, Harlan, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Leslie, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin,*
8 *McCreary, Perry, Pike, and Whitley.*

9 *(2) Each year the department holds a regular season elk quota hunt, it also shall*
10 *hold a disabled hunter postseason quota hunt for permit holders:*

11 *(a) Who qualify for a permit under KRS 150.175(27); and*

12 *(b) Whose names were not drawn by the department for the regular elk quota*
13 *hunt.*

14 *(3) (a) The number of permits for the disabled hunter postseason elk hunt shall not*
15 *be more than ten percent (10%) of the total number of permits for the elk*
16 *quota hunt allotted in a given year for both sexes.*

17 *(b) The selection for permits under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be*
18 *made by computerized random selection of the population of hunters*
19 *eligible under subsection (2) of this section.*

20 *(4) A hunter participating in the disabled hunter postseason elk quota hunt shall*
21 *comply with laws governing hunting in the Commonwealth, both state and*
22 *federal, and the department shall make every effort to ensure disabled access to*
23 *areas in the Elk Zone.*

24 *(5) If a hunter eligible for a permit under this section owns land in the Elk Zone, he*
25 *or she may hunt on his or her own lands rather than assigned areas in the Elk*
26 *Zone.*