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HOUSE BILL NO. 1199

Introduced by: Representatives DiSanto, Beal, Bordeaux, Brunner, Campbell, Latterell, Marty, May, Verchio, Wiik, and Wollmann and Senators Jensen (Phil), Greenfield (Brock), Haggar (Jenna), and Olson

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the minimum age to
2 procure hunting and fishing licenses.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 41-6-12 be amended to read:

5 41-6-12. Any person who is a resident of this state, as defined by this title, qualifies as
6 resident for securing any resident hunting or fishing license or preference points. All other
7 persons shall secure the applicable nonresident hunting and fishing licenses or preference points.
8 ~~No person under the age of twelve years may be granted any hunting license or preference point.~~
9 ~~However, any person who is eleven years of age and who will become twelve years of age~~
10 ~~during the period September first through December thirty-first, inclusive, may be granted any~~
11 ~~hunting license or preference point and be allowed to hunt beginning September first.~~

12 Section 2. That § 41-6-13 be amended to read:

13 41-6-13. A resident hunting license may be issued only to a resident sixteen years of age or
14 older. However, the parent or guardian of a resident who is less than sixteen years of age ~~and~~



1 ~~meets the age requirements of § 41-6-12~~ may apply for the license for such person. If a license
2 is granted on the application, the license authorizes hunting by the person only if accompanied
3 by a parent, guardian, or responsible adult and is valid for the license year as provided by the
4 applicable license and rules promulgated by the Game, Fish and Parks Commission pursuant
5 to chapter 1-26. The requirement to be accompanied by an adult no longer applies when the
6 licensee attains sixteen years of age. A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.

7 Section 3. That § 41-6-14 be amended to read:

8 41-6-14. Any person ~~between the ages of eleven years and~~ under the age of sixteen years
9 shall first comply with the provisions of chapter 41-7, pertaining to firearms safety, before being
10 granted a resident hunting license or the applicable nonresident hunting licenses.