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PREVENTING BOVINE TB

House Bill 5785

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**Committee: Conservation, Environment
and Recreation**

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5785 AS INTRODUCED 4-28-98

House Bill 5785 would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA) to permit a commercial cattle farm owner to take deer by firearm without a license or permit, in order to prevent tuberculosis (TB) being transmitted from the deer to the farm owner's cattle.

The bill's provision would apply if the deer were in contact with, or about to come in contact with, cattle or cattle feed. Under the bill, the Commission of Natural Resources -- which, under Ballot Proposal G in the 1996 general election, was granted exclusive authority to regulate the taking of game -- could issue an order specifying the conditions required to exercise this provision, such as geographic areas of the state, times of day, and other conditions consistent with the objective of preventing the transmission of TB from deer to cattle.

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