



S.F. No. 659 – Transferring duties from the Department of Natural Resources to the Board of Animal Health

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Section 1 (35.155, subdivision 4) removes the authority of the commissioner of natural resources to determine if fencing at a white-tailed deer farm is adequate.

Section 2 (35.155, subdivision 7) removes the authority of the commissioner of natural resources to inspect farmed white-tailed deer.

Section 3 (35.155, subdivision 11) removes the requirement for Cervidae farmers to allow inspections by Department of Natural Resources staff.

Section 4 transfers the administration and enforcement duties relating to farmed white-tailed deer from the commissioner of natural resources to the Board of Animal Health, and states that no employees will be transferred as a result.

Section 5 repeals the authority of the commissioner of natural resources to contract or enter into interagency agreements with the Board of Animal Health relating to administration duties for farmed white-tailed deer.

