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# HOUSE FILE NO. 260

## *FIRST COMMITTEE ENGROSSMENT*

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs

January 25, 2007

By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

*Referred by Chair to Game, Fish and Forestry Division*

*Feb/8/2007*

*Returned to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources as Amended*

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to natural resources; exempting military personnel from certain  
1.3 requirements for a firearms safety certificate; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006,  
1.4 section 97B.015, by adding a subdivision.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 97B.015, is amended by adding a  
1.7 subdivision to read:

1.8 Subd. 5a. Exemption for military personnel. Notwithstanding subdivision 5, a  
1.9 person who has successfully completed basic training in the United States armed forces is  
1.10 exempt from the range and shooting exercise portion of the required course of instruction  
1.11 for the firearms safety certificate. The commissioner may require written proof of the  
1.12 person's military training, as deemed appropriate for implementing this subdivision.  
1.13 The commissioner shall publicly announce this exemption from the range and shooting  
1.14 exercise requirement and the availability of the department's online, remote study option  
1.15 for adults seeking firearms safety certification. Military personnel are not exempt from  
1.16 any other requirement of this section for obtaining a firearms safety certificate.

1.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment  
1.18 and applies to applications for certificates made on or after that date.