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House Committee on Federal and State Affairs Neutral Testimony of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks House Bill 2028

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Chairman Kessler and Members of the Committee,

Beginning in 2013, the Legislature authorized the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks to sell senior combination hunting and fishing licenses to Kansas residents at a significantly discounted rate. When this authority was granted, however, it was set to "terminate on June 30, 2020."

When I discovered my authority to sell these licenses had lapsed, I instructed my staff to stop selling them. I then proposed additional discounted senior licenses, which are within my current legal authority.

The senior combination hunting and fishing licenses are popular among our constituents.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide information on House Bill 2028. I am happy to provide additional information at the appropriate time.

Respectfully submitted,

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