SENATE BILL No. 223

By Committee on Ways and Means

AN ACT concerning wildlife: relating to crossbow hunting; amending K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-932 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-932 is hereby amended to read as follows: 32-932. (a) Crossbows may be used during big game archery season by any person who has been issued a valid big game permit pursuant to K.S.A. 32-937, and amendments thereto.

(b) Any person having a permanent disability to the extent that such person cannot physically use a conventional long bow or compound bow, as certified by a person licensed to practice the healing arts in any state, shall be authorized to hunt and take deer, antelope, elk or wild turkey with a crossbow. Falsely obtaining or using a permit authorized by this subsection is a class C misdemeanor.

(c) The secretary of wildlife, parks and tourism shall adopt, in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto, rules and regulations requiring permits to hunt deer, antelope, elk or wild turkey pursuant to subsection (a) this section and providing for the approval of applicants for such permits and the issuance thereof. In addition, the secretary may adopt rules and regulations limiting the times and areas for hunting and taking deer, antelope, elk and wild turkey and limiting the number of deer, antelope, elk and wild turkey which may be taken pursuant to subsection (a) this section.

(e) Falsely obtaining or using a permit authorized by this section is a class C misdemeanor.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 32-932 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.