

Proposal 119

Public Proposal

Effect of Proposal :

Allow muskox hunts to be eligible for Proxy hunting

Recommendation :

NEUTRAL

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Background

- ▣ **Proxy hunting is currently allowed for**
 - caribou,
 - deer,
 - moose in Tier II, any-bull and antlerless hunts and
 - emperor geese.
- ▣ **The beneficiary must be blind, 65 years of age or older, 70% or greater physically disabled or developmentally disabled.**

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Tier II muskox hunts

All muskox hunting in Units 22 and 23 is under Tier II management.

The beneficiary must be blind, 65 years of age or older, 70% or greater physically disabled or developmentally disabled.

Of the hunters who obtain Tier II permits, an average 4 hunters (range of 1-8) are over the age of 65.

Other hunters may qualify under the other provisions, but we do not know.

Success rates for these 8 hunts range from 50 to 90%.

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Proposal 120 Hunting

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Proposal 120 Hunting

Proxy

- Background
 - This proposal was deferred from the March 2020 Region 3 board meeting
 - The board expressed desire to address the issue on a statewide basis
 - The proponent’s desire was to allow proxy hunting in the 19D antlered bull hunt

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■ Current Regulations

- Proxy hunting for moose is allowed in Tier II hunts, any bull hunts, and antlerless moose hunts: 5 AAC 92.011 (k)(3)
- Antlered bull, a distinct category, is a bag limit utilized in some areas of the state; Regions 3,4 and 5 all have antlered bull hunts

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■ Background

- Antlered bull bag limits are used in some cases to exclude the harvest of male calves that would be legal under any bull bag limits.
- In some winter hunts, the antlered bull bag limit can be used to focus harvest on bulls that have retained antlers, which are often smaller bulls, and to avoid the harvest of cows that might occur with antlerless hunts or any bull hunts

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