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LEGISLATIVE BILL 206

Approved by the Governor February 17, 1987 Introduced by Hefner, 19; Conway, 17; Rupp, 22

AN ACT relating to controlled shooting areas; to amend sections 37-901, 37-903, and 37-907, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; to change the size of controlled shooting areas as prescribed; to change controlled shooting area license fees and the expiration date for such licenses as prescribed; to change a date for a closed hunting season as prescribed; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 37-901, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

37-901. Any person owning, holding, 01 controlling by lease or otherwise, which possession must be for a term of five or more years, any contiguous tract of land having an area of not less than one hundred twenty acres and not more than thirty-two twelve hundred eighty acres who desires to establish a game breeding and controlled shooting area to propagate, preserve, and shoot exotic game birds thereon under the regulations as hereinafter provided, shall make application to the Game and Parks Commission for a license as provided by sections 37-901 to 37-914. Such application shall be made under oath of the applicant or one of its principal officers, if the applicant is an association, club, or corporation. The application shall be accompanied by a license fee of twenty-five one hundred dollars. Any controlled shooting area existing on the effective date of this act shall continue in operation on the existing acreage until such controlled shooting area license is not renewed or canceled.

Sec. 2. That section 37-903, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

37-903. All game breeding and controlled shooting area licenses shall expire on Beeember 31 June 30 of each year at midnight. Any controlled shooting area license issued prior to the effective date of this act and due to expire on December 31, 1987, is hereby

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extended and shall remain valid until June 30, 1988, at midnight.

Sec. 3. That section 37-907, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

37-907. No person shall take any upland game birds and hand-reared mallard ducks upon such breeding and controlled shooting area by shooting in any manner, except between September 1 and Mareh April 1 of each year.

Sec. 4. That original sections 37-901, 37-903, and 37-907, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, are repealed.

Sec. 5. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.