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MEMORANDUM:

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To: Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and Interested Publics

From: Management Analyst Megan Manfredi, Data and Technology Services Division

Title: Commission General Regulation 521, Junior Tag Transfer

Description: The Commission will review and revise draft language amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) chapter 502 that would allow the transfer of a game tag to a minor between the age of 12 and 17 who is otherwise eligible to hunt the tag.

Brief Explanation of the Proposed Regulation:

This regulation was drafted in coordination with the Tag Allocation and Application Hunt Committee after the passage of Senate Bill 311 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

The regulation outlines a program that would allow a mule deer tag holder to transfer their mule deer tag to a minor between the age of 12 and 17 who is otherwise eligible to be awarded and hunt the mule deer tag.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission review, amend if needed, and move towards an additional workshop or adoption of the proposed regulation.

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 521**

LCB File No. R015-24

EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1-4, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.103, 502.160 and 502.250; §5, NRS 501.105, 501.181, 502.160, 502.219 and 502.250.

A REGULATION relating to licensing and the validation of a game tag in any form.....

New Tag Transfer NAC 502

1. *A tag holder may transfer their main draw awarded mule deer tag for the current corresponding hunt year to a minor between the ages of 12 to 17 who is otherwise eligible to hunt on the mule deer tag.*
 - a. *A minor must have reached their 12th birthday before the opening day of the tag's season and must not reach their 18th birthday before the close of the tag's season to be eligible to receive a transfer.*
 - b. *Junior mule deer tags are excluded for transfer within this program.*
2. *The minor receiving the transfer may only receive one mule deer tag annually and must have been unsuccessful in receiving any big game tag through the main draw for the corresponding hunt year.*
3. *The tag holder must designate the name(s) and client ID(s) of the minor(s) they intend to transfer their tag to at the time their main draw application is submitted.*
4. *The original tag holder shall surrender the mule deer tag to the Department and correctly enter the required information on the Department issued mule deer tag transfer affidavit. The information must include:*
 - a. *The original tag holder's legal name;*
 - b. *The legal name of the minor the big game tag will be transferred to;*
 - c. *The relationship between the tag holder and the minor receiving the tag transfer;*
 - d. *The Nevada client ID of both the original tag holder and the minor;*
 - e. *The type of hunt as defined in NAC 502.105;*
 - i. *Species;*
 - ii. *Species Category;*
 - iii. *Weapon;*
 - iv. *Residency;*
 - v. *Season;*
 - vi. *Hunt Unit;*
5. *Transfer requests must be received by the Department no later than July 1 of the corresponding hunt year.*
6. *The original tag holder is responsible for the payment of the tag fee pursuant to NRS 502.250.*
7. *Both the original tag holder and the minor receiving the mule deer tag will be treated as if they were awarded the mule deer tag with respect to bonus point cost.*

8. *The Department will return a copy of the Department signed and dated affidavit to the original tag holder-at the time the transfer has been completed. The tag holder transferring the big game tag must accompany the minor receiving the mule deer tag into the field, regardless of the age of the minor, and have on their person a copy of the Department signed tag transfer affidavit.*
9. *A tag holder may only transfer a tag through this program once in their lifetime.*
10. *Transferred tags may not be returned to the Department for the restoration of bonus points.*
11. *The exchange of anything of value including, without limitation to, money, goods, and/or services is strictly prohibited from participation in the program.*
12. *Transferred tags may not be deferred or transferred a second time to another person.*
13. *As used in this section:*
 - a. *“Accompany into the field” means the youth and adult must remain close enough for the adult to see and provide verbal assistance to the youth hunter, no more than 10 yards. Using electronic devices, such as walkie-talkies or cell phones, does not meet this requirement.*

NAC 502.385 - Use of tag or permit

1. The tag or permit must be carried by the holder at all times while the holder is hunting or trapping or while he or she is fishing for wildlife for which a tag or permit is required.
2. Except as otherwise provided in NAC 502.42905, *name of new junior tag transfer regulation LCB File No. RXXX-XX*, and section 1 of LCB File No. R022-19, it is unlawful for any person to:
 - (a) Use or possess a tag or permit issued to any other person;
 - (b) Transfer or give a tag or permit issued to him or her to any other person;
 - (c) Use any tag or permit in a management area or unit for which it is not intended; or
 - (d) Use a tag or permit at any time other than at the time intended.
3. After it has been issued, a tag or permit may not be exchanged or a refund made except in accordance with the policies and regulations of the Commission.