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CHANGE IN LEARN-TO-HUNT PARTICIPATION

THE ISSUE:

Current regulation limits participation in Learn-To-Hunt events. No person may participate in more than one species specific outdoor skills activity.

In an effort to recruit and retain new hunters Learn-To-Hunt was put into place as a tool for new hunter recruitment and training. Research on hunter recruitment strongly indicates that more than one introductory event is needed to train and retain new hunters. Since Learn-To-Hunt events are limited to one time per species, their effectiveness as recruitment tool is hampered. Especially if the participant has a less than favorable first experience. Hunters in training should be allowed to participate in more than one Learn-To-Hunt per species in order to get the training and mentoring they need to start hunting on their own.

SOLUTION:

Amend the current learn-To-Hunt regulations to allow individuals to participate in more than **one** species specific event by limiting people to one species specific event per year.

Be it resolved that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Dodge County on April 14, 2014 recommends that with the Department Of Natural Resources and the State Legislature effect changes in the Learn-To-Hunt regulations which will eliminate the **"ONE AND DONE"** and allow individuals to participate in more than one Learn-To-Hunt per species.

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