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Committee: Deer and Turkey

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Extended Turkey Season Hours to Promote Student Involvement in Hunting

1 WHEREAS the Missouri Department of Conservation Spring Turkey Season Rules and Regulations
2 states that shooting must end at 1pm;
3 AND WHEREAS the Missouri Department of Conservation is making strong efforts to promote student
4 involvement in outdoor activities;
5 AND WHEREAS most elementary and secondary schools in Missouri do not dismiss students until
6 2:45pm or 3:00pm;
7 AND WHEREAS most schools only allow seven absences and/or late arrivals before student grades are
8 adversely effected;
9 AND WHEREAS current Missouri Spring Turkey Season hours only allow for students to hunt
10 weekends and mornings and therefore they cannot take advantage of hunting opportunities in the
11 afternoon ;
12 AND WHEREAS an extension of the current hunting hours to encompass hours from 1:00pm to the end
13 of shooting light would allow students to participate more in turkey hunting;
14 AND WHEREAS Missouri and Illinois are the only Midwestern states that have not extended their
15 Spring Turkey Season hours until the end of shooting light;
16 AND WHEREAS those states that have adopted all-day hunting hours have had an average 50%
17 increase in student participation in turkey hunting;
18 AND WHEREAS those states have not had any significant change in turkey populations or behavior;
19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at
20 The Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, MO, this 24th day of February, 2008 will support the
21 extension of the Missouri Spring Turkey Season Hours until the end of shooting light in order to
22 promote student participation.