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MEMORANDUM

TO: Hunting License Applicants

FROM:  Andrew W.J. Choy, Manager
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SUBJECT: Letter of Exemption Issued by Hunter Education Program

Pursuant to subsection (a) (3) of Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) §183D-22 and subsections (b) (1) and (b) (2) of HRS §183D-28 the following shall be effective immediately:

- Written exemptions from DLNR through the Hunter Education Program must be obtained by a person claiming an exemption under subsection (b) (1) of HRS §183D-28, whereby the applicant was born before January 1, 1972, and at one time possessed a hunting license issued by the State of Hawaii.
- A person claiming an exemption under subsection (b) (2) of HRS §183D-28 shall not be required to obtain a written exemption from DLNR, whereby the applicant has successfully completed a course or program of hunter education and safety that is approved by the International Hunter Education Association (IHEA) and meets the requirements of Chapter 12 of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service Federal Aid Manual, as revised, provided that the person shows satisfactory proof in the form of a certificate, wallet card, or other document issued by a state, province, or country evidencing successful completion of the course or program.

If you have applied for an exemption under subsection (b) (2) of HRS §183D-28 and are able to show satisfactory proof in the form of a certificate, wallet card, or other document issued by a state, province, or country evidencing successful completion of an approved IHEA course or program, you are not required to obtain a written exemption. You may purchase your Hawaii hunting license directly from any Division of Forestry and Wildlife Office. Contact information may be found online at: <http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dofaw/contact/>. You will be required to present your government-issued hunter education certification when purchasing your hunting license.