
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY LETTERMAN, DIETZ, GODSHALL, BOWLEY, STABACK,
PHILLIPS, GRUPPO AND CARLSON, MARCH 20, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, MARCH 20, 1985

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), entitled
2 "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild
3 animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing
4 the law relating thereto," providing lifetime resident
5 hunting licenses to certain qualified residents.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 302 of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225,
9 No.316), known as The Game Law, amended July 20, 1983 (P.L.55,
10 No.28), is amended to read:

11 Section 302. Resident License Fees.--(a) Each such resident
12 as defined in sections 101 and 301, upon application made, in
13 writing, to an agent authorized to issue such licenses within
14 the Commonwealth, and upon presentation of proof by the
15 applicant that he or she is a resident of this Commonwealth as
16 previously defined in this act by producing a current
17 Pennsylvania motor vehicle registration card, or tax receipts
18 evidencing payment of State income tax, earned income tax or
19 other local taxes pursuant to the act of December 31, 1965

1 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as "The Local Tax Enabling Act," or
2 some other positive means of verifying residency, and the
3 establishment of his or her identity to the satisfaction of the
4 authority issuing the license, unless any such person has been
5 disqualified for a license in the manner hereinafter specified,
6 and the payment to said agent or the commission of eight dollars
7 and fifty cents (\$8.50) except as [hereinafter] provided in
8 subsections (b) and (c) for certain minors and older persons,
9 shall be entitled to a resident hunter's license and a tag with
10 the number of the license thereon, which shall entitle the
11 holder to hunt or trap for all wild birds and wild animals which
12 may legally be hunted or trapped in this Commonwealth.

13 (b) Residents with the [above] qualifications set forth in
14 subsection (a), who are between the ages of twelve and sixteen
15 inclusive [or who are sixty-five years of age or more] at the
16 time of application, shall be entitled to a resident hunter's
17 license and tag upon payment to said agent or the commission
18 of[, in the case of persons sixty-five years of age or more,]
19 five dollars and fifty cents (\$5.50) [and, in the case of
20 persons between the ages of twelve and sixteen, five dollars and
21 fifty cents (\$5.50)]. The application for the issuance of a
22 license in such cases shall, in addition to the other
23 information required, give the date of birth of the applicant.

24 (c) (1) Residents with the qualifications set forth in
25 subsection (a) who are sixty-five years of age or more at the
26 time of application shall be entitled to, at the option of the
27 applicant, either (i) an annual resident hunter's license and
28 tag upon payment to said agent or the commission of five dollars
29 and fifty cents (\$5.50) or (ii) a lifetime resident hunter's
30 license and appropriate tags upon the payment to said agent or

1 the commission of thirty-five dollars and fifty cents (\$35.50).
2 The application for the issuance of either license shall, in
3 addition to the other information required, give the date of
4 birth of the applicant.

5 (2) The commission shall develop, implement and administer a
6 program to provide tags, report cards and applications to those
7 residents who hold a lifetime license issued pursuant to
8 (1)(ii).

9 (d) Any resident disabled veteran of any war whose
10 disability consists of the loss of one or more limbs or the loss
11 of the use of one or more limbs, or who presents a physician's
12 certificate of total or one hundred per cent disability, and who
13 meets the above qualifications shall be issued such license upon
14 application to any county treasurer without the payment of the
15 above license fee provided for the use of the Commonwealth. The
16 application for the issuance of a license in such case shall in
17 addition to the other information required, contain a statement
18 that the applicant is a war veteran and that his disability was
19 service incurred. The county treasurer may likewise require of
20 such applicant the production of such applicant's discharge
21 papers.

22 (e) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or attempt
23 to sell any resident hunting license for a monetary fee in
24 excess of the fees fixed pursuant to the provisions of this
25 section. The sale or attempted sale of each license shall
26 constitute a separate offense.

27 Section 2. This act shall apply to the license year
28 beginning September 1, 1985, and each year thereafter.

29 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.