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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, SEPTEMBER 4, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for unlawful acts concerning
3 licenses.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 2711 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 2711. Unlawful acts concerning licenses.

9 (a) General rule.--Except as otherwise provided in this
10 title, it is unlawful for any person to:

11 (1) Hunt or take any game or wildlife by any means or
12 manner or device, including the use of dogs, without first
13 securing and personally signing [and displaying] the required
14 license.

15 (2) Procure a license in a name other than the person's
16 legal name, furnish an address other than his legal place of
17 residence and domicile or make any false or misleading

1 statement whatsoever in securing a license.

2 (3) Lend or transfer in any manner whatsoever a license
3 or game or wildlife kill tag to any other person regardless
4 of the purpose.

5 (4) Issue or aid, assist or conspire, either for that
6 person or any other person, in procuring any hunting or
7 furtaking license for which that person is not legally
8 entitled thereto.

9 (5) Possess while hunting or taking game or wildlife or
10 going to or from hunting or taking game or wildlife any
11 report card, license tag, license stamp or game or wildlife
12 kill tag belonging to another.

13 (6) Except as provided under section 2705 (relating to
14 classes of licenses), receive a hunting or furtaking license
15 under any circumstances if under 12 years of age.

16 (7) Receive a hunting or furtaking license without
17 presenting a written request executed by a parent or legally
18 constituted guardian if under 17 years of age.

19 (8) Use firearms of any kind or a bow and arrow for the
20 purpose of hunting any game or wildlife or attempting to take
21 or kill any game or wildlife by hunting or trapping if under
22 12 years of age or when hunting or trapping any game or
23 wildlife or attempting to hunt or trap any game or wildlife
24 if between 12 and 14 years of age, unless accompanied by a
25 parent or a person 18 years of age or older serving in loco
26 parentis or as guardian or some other family member 18 years
27 of age or older or when hunting if between 14 and 16 years of
28 age, unless accompanied by a person 18 years of age or older.
29 For the purpose of this paragraph "accompany" means close
30 enough that verbal instructions and guidance can be easily

1 understood. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply
2 to section 2363 (relating to trapping exception for certain
3 persons).

4 [(9) Remove or cause to be removed or permit the removal
5 of any hunting or furtaking license required by this title
6 from the place where the license is required to be displayed
7 for the purpose of concealing the identity of that person or
8 to resort to any other means or manner to conceal the
9 identity of that person.]

10 (10) Hunt or take, or aid, assist or attempt to hunt or
11 take, furbearers or take any game or wildlife anywhere in
12 this Commonwealth, either with or without a license, or make
13 application, receive or attempt or conspire to receive any
14 license required by this chapter, during any period that
15 these privileges have been denied or withdrawn by this title,
16 by the director or by a magisterial district judge or court.

17 (11) Conspire to or duplicate, reproduce, alter, forge
18 or counterfeit any permit, license, tag or stamp required by
19 this title.

20 (12) While exercising any of the privileges granted by
21 any license provided for in this title, refuse or fail to
22 satisfactorily provide positive identification to any
23 landowner upon whose land that person may be occupying or to
24 any officer whose duty it is to enforce this title.

25 (13) Violate any regulations promulgated under the
26 authority of this subchapter.

27 (b) Penalties.--A violation of this subchapter relating to:

28 (1) Hunting by a nonresident without a valid license or
29 licenses required by this title is a summary offense of the
30 fourth degree.

1 (2) Furtaking by a nonresident without a valid furtaking
2 license or licenses required by this title is a summary
3 offense of the second degree.

4 (3) Hunting or furtaking by a resident without a valid
5 license or licenses required by this title is a summary
6 offense of the fifth degree.

7 (4) Subsection (a)(1) insofar as it relates to signing
8 [or displaying] a license is a summary offense of the eighth
9 degree.

10 (5) Subsection (a)(2), (3), (4)[, (5) or (9)] or (5) is
11 a summary offense of the fifth degree.

12 (6) Subsection (a)(6), (7) or (8) is a summary offense
13 of the seventh degree.

14 (7) Subsection (a)(11) is a summary offense of the third
15 degree. In addition to the imposition of any penalty, a
16 convicted violator shall incur a five-year mandatory
17 revocation of the privilege to hunt or trap anywhere in this
18 Commonwealth.

19 (8) Any of the other provisions of this subchapter or
20 the regulations promulgated thereunder is a summary offense
21 of the fifth degree.

22 (c) Separate offenses.--Each day of violation or each
23 illegal act constitutes a separate offense.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.