

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MAY 5, 1977

## AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 15, 1959 (P.L.1779, No.673),  
2 entitled, as amended, "An act relating to fish, frogs,  
3 tadpoles and turtles; and amending, revising and  
4 consolidating and changing the law relating to fish in the  
5 inland waters and the boundary lakes and boundary rivers of  
6 the Commonwealth," changing the minimal age for which a  
7 resident and nonresident fishing license is required and  
8 changing the license fees.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 220, act of December  
12 15, 1959 (P.L.1779, No.673), known as "The Fish Law of 1959,"  
13 amended July 24, 1973 (P.L.196, No.47), is amended to read:

14 Section 220. Resident Fishing License; Fees.--(a) For the  
15 purposes of this article, every person sixteen years of age and  
16 upward, upon application to any issuing agent within the  
17 Commonwealth, or to the Commission, and upon the establishment  
18 of his identity and age to the satisfaction of the issuing agent  
19 or the Commission by producing a [bank book, letters, lodge  
20 cards, police cards, a] motor vehicle operator's permit or some

1 other positive means of identification and age, that he has been  
2 a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth [for a period of sixty  
3 days next preceding his application and was born in the United  
4 States, and in the case of naturalized foreign-born residents,  
5 the production of such applicant's naturalization papers,] or a  
6 member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is on full-  
7 time active duty and permanently assigned to a military  
8 installation located within the Commonwealth shall, upon the  
9 payment to the issuing agent or the Commission of a license fee  
10 of [seven dollars fifty cents (\$7.50)] nine dollars (\$9.00)  
11 except as hereinafter provided for persons sixty-five years of  
12 age and over for the use of the Commonwealth, and in the event  
13 that the license is issued by an issuing agent, a fee of twenty-  
14 five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing agent, be entitled  
15 to the license herein referred to as a "resident fishing  
16 license." Residents with the above qualifications, who are  
17 sixty-five or more years of age at the time of application,  
18 shall be entitled to a "senior resident fishing license" upon  
19 payment to said agent or the Commission of a license fee of two  
20 dollars (\$2.00) for the use of the Commonwealth, and in the  
21 event that the license is issued by an issuing agent, a fee of  
22 twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing agent. The  
23 license in such cases shall, in addition to the other  
24 information required, give the date of birth of the applicant.

25 Section 2. Section 220 of the act is amended by adding a  
26 subsection to read:

27 Section 220. Resident Fishing License; Fees.--\* \* \*

28 (a.1) For the purposes of this article every person who is  
29 ~~twelve~~ FOURTEEN years of age but who has not reached sixteen  
30 years of age, upon application to any issuing agent within the

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1 Commonwealth, or to the Commission, and upon the establishment  
2 of his identity and age to the satisfaction of the issuing agent  
3 or the Commission by some positive means of identification and  
4 age, that he is a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth, shall  
5 upon payment to the issuing agent or the Commission of a license  
6 fee of ~~three dollars (\$3.00)~~ ONE DOLLAR FIFTY CENTS (\$1.50) for <—  
7 the use of the Commonwealth, and in the event that the license  
8 is issued by an issuing agent, a fee of twenty-five cents (25¢)  
9 for the use of the issuing agent, be entitled to the license  
10 herein referred to as a "junior fishing license."

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12 Section 3. The section heading and subsections (a) and (b)  
13 of section 221 of the act, subsections (a) and (b) amended July  
14 24, 1973 (P.L.196, No.47), are amended to read:

15 Section 221. Nonresident [and Alien Nonresident] Fishing  
16 License Fees; Tourist Fishing License Fees for Nonresidents [and  
17 Alien Nonresidents].--(a) For the purposes of this article,  
18 every person, sixteen years of age and upward, upon application  
19 to any issuing agent within the Commonwealth or to the  
20 Commission [and the presentation of proof that he is an alien or  
21 a nonresident of this Commonwealth], shall, upon the payment to  
22 the issuing agent or the Commission of the sum of [twelve  
23 dollars fifty cents (\$12.50)] fourteen dollars (\$14.00), and in  
24 the event the license is issued by an issuing agent, the payment  
25 of twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing agent, be  
26 entitled to the license herein referred to as a "nonresident  
27 fishing license." Nonresidents who are twelve years of age but  
28 who have not reached sixteen years of age shall be entitled to a  
29 "junior fishing license" upon the payment to said issuing agent  
30 or to the Commission of a license fee of three dollars (\$3.00)

1 and in the event that the license is issued by an issuing agent,  
2 the payment of a fee of twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of  
3 the agent.

4 (b) For the purposes of this article, every person, sixteen  
5 years of age and upward, upon application to any issuing agent  
6 within the Commonwealth, or to the Commission [and the  
7 presentation of proof that he is a nonresident of the  
8 Commonwealth], shall, upon the payment to the issuing agent or  
9 the Commission a license fee of [seven dollars fifty cents  
10 (\$7.50)] nine dollars (\$9.00) for the use of the Commonwealth,  
11 and in the event that the license is issued by an issuing agent,  
12 a fee of twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing  
13 agent, be entitled to the license herein referred to as a  
14 "tourist fishing license," which shall be valid for a period of  
15 seven consecutive days.

16 In case the license certificate is lost or destroyed, a new  
17 license may be secured from the Commission upon making affidavit  
18 to that effect and the payment of a fee of fifty cents (50¢).

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20 Section 4. This act shall take effect January 1, 1978.