

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, DECEMBER 5, 1979

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 for migratory waterfowl  
5 stamps.

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

8 Section 1. The act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), known  
9 as "The Game Law," is amended by adding a section to read:

10 Section 503.1. Waterfowl Stamp.--(a) As used in this  
11 section, the term "migratory waterfowl" shall mean a wild goose,  
12 brant or wild duck.

13 (b) No person may hunt or take any migratory waterfowl  
14 within the Commonwealth without first procuring a migratory  
15 waterfowl stamp as provided herein. Such stamp must be in the  
16 possession of every person when hunting or taking any migratory  
17 waterfowl. Each stamp shall be validated by the signature of the  
18 licensee written across the face of such stamp. The stamp shall

1 be designed and produced in accordance with departmental  
2 regulations and shall expire annually on the same date each year  
3 that all hunting licenses expire.

4 (c) A stamp shall be issued to each hunting license  
5 applicant upon written request on the forms furnished by the  
6 department and the payment of an additional fee of three dollars  
7 (\$3.00).

8 (d) All funds derived from the issuance of migratory  
9 waterfowl stamps shall be deposited by the department with the  
10 State Treasurer and shall be credited to the Game Fund.

11 (e) Fifty percent (50%) of the revenue collected pursuant to  
12 this section shall be used for the purpose of protection,  
13 preserving, restoring, enhancing and developing waterfowl  
14 habitat in the Commonwealth.

15 (f) The remaining fifty percent (50%) of the revenue  
16 collected pursuant to this section shall be used by the  
17 commission in cooperation with an appropriate nonprofit  
18 organization for the purpose of development of waterfowl  
19 propagation areas in Canada from which come substantial numbers  
20 of waterfowl migrating to and through the Commonwealth.

21 (g) The department shall, by regulation, establish a method  
22 of selecting appropriate designs for the migratory waterfowl  
23 stamp.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall  
25 apply to hunting license years commencing on and after September  
26 1, 1981.