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AS RE-REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, SEPTEMBER 26, 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 FURTHER PROVIDING FOR RESIDENT FISHING LICENSES FOR PERSONS <—
9 SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER AND changing the license
10 fees.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 220, act of December
14 15, 1959 (P.L.1779, No.673), known as "The Fish Law of 1959,"
15 amended July 24, 1973 (P.L.196, No.47), is amended to read:

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

1 cards, police cards, a] motor vehicle operator's permit or some
2 other positive means of identification and age, that he [has
3 been] IS a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth [for a period <—
4 of sixty days next preceding his application and was born in the
5 United States, and in the case of naturalized foreign-born
6 residents, the production of such applicant's naturalization
7 papers,] or a member of the Armed Forces of the United States
8 who is on full-time active duty and permanently assigned to a
9 military installation located within the Commonwealth, shall,
10 upon the payment to the issuing agent or the Commission of a
11 license fee of [seven dollars fifty cents (\$7.50)] nine dollars
12 (\$9.00) except as hereinafter provided for persons sixty-five
13 years of age and over for the use of the Commonwealth, and in
14 the event that the license is issued by an issuing agent, a fee
15 of twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing agent, be
16 entitled to the license herein referred to as a "resident
17 fishing license." Residents with the above qualifications, who
18 are sixty-five or more years of age at the time of application,
19 shall be entitled to a "senior resident fishing license" upon
20 payment to said agent or the Commission of a license fee of two
21 dollars (\$2.00) for the use of the Commonwealth, and in the
22 event that the license is issued by an issuing agent, a fee of
23 twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing agent. The
24 license in such cases shall, in addition to the other
25 information required, give the date of birth of the applicant.
26 ANY PERSON WHO QUALIFIES TO PURCHASE A SENIOR RESIDENT LICENSE <—
27 MAY, IN LIEU THEREOF, PURCHASE A SENIOR RESIDENT LICENSE WHICH
28 SHALL BE VALID FOR HIS LIFETIME UPON THE PAYMENT OF A FEE OF TEN
29 DOLLARS (\$10.00) FOR THE USE OF THE COMMONWEALTH, AND IN THE
30 EVENT THE LICENSE IS ISSUED BY AN ISSUING AGENT, A FEE OF

1 TWENTY-FIVE CENTS (25¢) FOR THE USE OF THE ISSUING AGENT.

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3 ~~Section 2. Section 220 of the act is amended by adding a~~ <—
4 ~~subsection to read:~~

5 ~~Section 220. Resident Fishing License; Fees. * * *~~

6 ~~(a.1) For the purposes of this article every person who is~~
7 ~~fourteen years of age but who has not reached sixteen years of~~
8 ~~age, upon application to any issuing agent within the~~
9 ~~Commonwealth, or to the Commission, and upon the establishment~~
10 ~~of his identity and age to the satisfaction of the issuing agent~~
11 ~~or the Commission by some positive means of identification and~~
12 ~~age, that he is a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth, shall~~
13 ~~upon payment to the issuing agent or the Commission of a license~~
14 ~~fee of one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) for the use of the~~
15 ~~Commonwealth, and in the event that the license is issued by an~~
16 ~~issuing agent, a fee of twenty five cents (25¢) for the use of~~
17 ~~the issuing agent, be entitled to the license herein referred to~~
18 ~~as a "junior fishing license."~~

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20 ~~Section 3.~~ 2. The section heading and subsections (a) and <—
21 (b) of section 221 of the act, subsections (a) and (b) amended
22 July 24, 1973 (P.L.196, No.47), are amended to read:

23 Section 221. Nonresident [and Alien Nonresident] Fishing
24 License Fees; Tourist Fishing License Fees for Nonresidents [and
25 Alien Nonresidents].--(a) For the purposes of this article,
26 every person, sixteen years of age and upward, upon application
27 to any issuing agent within the Commonwealth or to the
28 Commission [and the presentation of proof that he is an alien or
29 a nonresident of this Commonwealth], shall, upon the payment to
30 the issuing agent or the Commission of the sum of [twelve

1 dollars fifty cents (\$12.50)] fourteen dollars (\$14.00), and in
2 the event the license is issued by an issuing agent, the payment
3 of twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing agent, be
4 entitled to the license herein referred to as a "nonresident
5 fishing license." ~~Nonresidents who are twelve years of age but~~ <—
6 ~~who have not reached sixteen years of age shall be entitled to a~~
7 ~~"junior fishing license" upon the payment to said issuing agent~~
8 ~~or to the Commission of a license fee of three dollars (\$3.00)~~
9 ~~and in the event that the license is issued by an issuing agent,~~
10 ~~the payment of a fee of twenty five cents (25¢) for the use of~~
11 ~~the agent.~~

12 (b) For the purposes of this article, every person, sixteen
13 years of age and upward, upon application to any issuing agent
14 within the Commonwealth, or to the Commission [and the
15 presentation of proof that he is a nonresident of the
16 Commonwealth], shall, upon the payment to the issuing agent or
17 the Commission a license fee of [seven dollars fifty cents
18 (\$7.50)] nine dollars (\$9.00) for the use of the Commonwealth,
19 and in the event that the license is issued by an issuing agent,
20 a fee of twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing
21 agent, be entitled to the license herein referred to as a
22 "tourist fishing license," which shall be valid for a period of
23 seven consecutive days.

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

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28 Section 4- 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 1978. <—