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CAWLEY, ARTY, WARGO, MORRIS AND PETRARCA, MARCH 16, 1983

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, MARCH 16, 1983

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 free hunting  
5 licenses for residents on leave from active duty with the  
6 United States Armed Forces.

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

9 Section 1. Section 302 of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225,  
10 No.316), known as The Game Law, amended November 20, 1981  
11 (P.L.340, No.125), is amended to read:

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

1 other local taxes pursuant to the act of December 31, 1965  
2 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as "The Local Tax Enabling Act," or  
3 some other positive means of verifying residency, and the  
4 establishment of his or her identity to the satisfaction of the  
5 authority issuing the license, unless any such person has been  
6 disqualified for a license in the manner hereinafter specified,  
7 and the payment to said agent or the commission of eight dollars  
8 and twenty-five cents (\$8.25) except as hereinafter provided for  
9 certain minors and older persons, shall be entitled to a  
10 resident hunter's license and a tag with the number of the  
11 license thereon, which shall entitle the holder to hunt or trap  
12 for all wild birds and wild animals which may legally be hunted  
13 or trapped in this Commonwealth. Residents with the above  
14 qualifications, who are between the ages of twelve and sixteen  
15 inclusive or who are sixty-five years of age or more at the time  
16 of application, shall be entitled to a resident hunter's license  
17 and tag upon payment to said agent or the commission of, in the  
18 case of persons sixty-five years of age or more, five dollars  
19 and twenty-five cents (\$5.25) and, in the case of persons  
20 between the ages of twelve and sixteen, five dollars and twenty-  
21 five cents (\$5.25). 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 (b) Any resident disabled veteran of any war whose  
25 disability consists of the loss of one or more limbs or the loss  
26 of the use of one or more limbs, or who presents a physician's  
27 certificate of total or one hundred per cent disability, and who  
28 meets the above qualifications shall be issued such license upon  
29 application to any county treasurer without the payment of the  
30 above license fee provided for the use of the Commonwealth. The

1 application for the issuance of a license in such case shall in  
2 addition to the other information required, contain a statement  
3 that the applicant is a war veteran and that his disability was  
4 service incurred. The county treasurer may likewise require of  
5 such applicant the production of such applicant's discharge  
6 papers.

7     (c) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or attempt  
8 to sell any resident hunting license for a monetary fee in  
9 excess of the fees fixed pursuant to the provisions of this  
10 section. The sale or attempted sale of each license shall  
11 constitute a separate offense.

12     (d) The commission shall issue a temporary hunting license  
13 free of charge to any resident of the Commonwealth home on leave  
14 from active duty in the United States Armed Forces. This license  
15 shall be good for the duration of the leave.

16     Section 2. This act shall take effect September 1 next  
17 following the date of enactment.