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AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, IN SENATE, JUNE 13, 1978

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, consolidating
4 and changing the law relating to fish in the inland waters
5 and the boundary lakes and boundary rivers of the
6 Commonwealth," further providing for resident fishing
7 licenses for persons sixty-five years of age and older and, <—
8 changing the license fees AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT <—
9 AND TERM OF OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

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

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

15 Section 220. Resident Fishing License; Fees.--(a) For the
16 purposes of this article, every person sixteen years of age and
17 upward, upon application to any issuing agent within the
18 Commonwealth, or to the Commission, and upon the establishment
19 of his identity and age to the satisfaction of the issuing agent
20 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. The section heading and subsections (a) and (b)
4 of section 221 of the act, subsections (a) and (b) amended July
5 24, 1973 (P.L.196, No.47), are amended to read:

6 Section 221. Nonresident [and Alien Nonresident] Fishing
7 License Fees; Tourist Fishing License Fees for Nonresidents [and
8 Alien Nonresidents].--(a) For the purposes of this article,
9 every person, sixteen years of age and upward, upon application
10 to any issuing agent within the Commonwealth or to the
11 Commission [and the presentation of proof that he is an alien or
12 a nonresident of this Commonwealth], shall, upon the payment to
13 the issuing agent or the Commission of the sum of [twelve
14 dollars fifty cents (\$12.50)] fourteen dollars (\$14.00), and in
15 the event the license is issued by an issuing agent, the payment
16 of twenty-five cents (25¢) for the use of the issuing agent, be
17 entitled to the license herein referred to as a "nonresident
18 fishing license."

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

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

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5 SECTION 3. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ: <—

6 SECTION 251.2. APPOINTMENT AND TERM OF OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE
7 DIRECTOR.--THE TERM OF THE INCUMBENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL
8 EXPIRE NINETY DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT.
9 THEREAFTER THE GOVERNOR SHALL NOMINATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
10 PROVISIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF
11 PENNSYLVANIA AND, BY AND WITH THE ADVICE OF A MAJORITY OF THE
12 MEMBERS ELECTED TO THE SENATE, APPOINT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
13 WHO SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR.

14 Section ~~3~~ 4. This act shall take effect January 1, ~~1978~~
15 1979. <—