

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 9, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, providing for vouchers for licenses.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Title 30 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
6 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

7 ~~§ 2716. Vouchers for licenses.~~

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8 ~~(a) License vouchers. The commission shall make available~~
9 ~~through its issuing agents vouchers which may be purchased on~~
10 ~~behalf of a third party. The voucher shall be on a form designed~~
11 ~~by the commission and made available to all issuing agents. The~~
12 ~~form shall contain the following information:~~

13 ~~(1) A voucher number.~~

14 ~~(2) The identifying number of the issuing agent.~~

15 ~~(3) The class of license or permit for which the voucher~~
16 ~~may be redeemed.~~

1 ~~(4) The date of issuance.~~

2 ~~(5) The date of expiration.~~

3 ~~(6) The total amount paid which shall include the~~
4 ~~issuing agent fee authorized by section 2715 (relating to~~
5 ~~license, permit and issuing agent fees).~~

6 ~~(b) Redemption. The voucher may only be redeemed for the~~
7 ~~class of license or permit indicated on the voucher and for~~
8 ~~which the applicable fee has been paid by the voucher purchaser.~~
9 ~~Vouchers shall be redeemable prior to their expiration date.~~

10 ~~(c) Fees for vouchers. A person purchasing a voucher must~~
11 ~~pay the fee for the class of license or permit as provided in~~
12 ~~section 2715(a) and (a.1) and the issuing agent fee as provided~~
13 ~~in section 2715(b) unless otherwise exempt from such fee by this~~
14 ~~title.~~

15 ~~(d) Remittance of fees. Moneys received for the purchase of~~
16 ~~vouchers shall be remitted to the commission by the issuing~~
17 ~~agent as provided in section 2711 (relating to issuing agents).~~
18 ~~Money remitted to the commission for the purchase of vouchers~~
19 ~~shall be used as is provided in section 521 (relating to~~
20 ~~establishment and use of Fish Fund) for the particular license~~
21 ~~or permit purchased by the issuance of the voucher.~~

22 ~~(e) Places of redemption. A voucher may be redeemed at the~~
23 ~~place of business of an issuing agent in this Commonwealth.~~

24 ~~(f) Restrictions. The bearer of a voucher is subject to all~~
25 ~~restrictions relating to the issuance, denial or revocation of a~~
26 ~~license or permit provided in this title or any other title, law~~
27 ~~or regulation.~~

28 § 2716. VOUCHERS FOR LICENSES AND PERMITS.

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29 (A) GENERAL RULE.--THE COMMISSION MAY MAKE AVAILABLE, AT ITS
30 OFFICES AND THROUGH ITS ISSUING AGENTS, VOUCHERS FOR LICENSES

1 AND PERMITS THAT MAY BE PURCHASED ON BEHALF OF A THIRD PARTY.
2 THE VOUCHER SHALL BE IN THE FORMAT PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSION
3 AND SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

4 (1) A VOUCHER NUMBER.

5 (2) THE IDENTIFYING NUMBER OF THE ISSUING AGENT.

6 (3) THE TYPE OF LICENSE OR PERMIT FOR WHICH THE VOUCHER
7 MAY BE REDEEMED.

8 (4) THE DATE OF ISSUANCE.

9 (5) THE DATE OF EXPIRATION.

10 (B) FEES.--A PERSON PURCHASING A VOUCHER SHALL PAY THE FEES
11 FOR THE TYPE OF LICENSE OR PERMIT BEING PURCHASED AND THE
12 ISSUING AGENT FEE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 2715 (RELATING TO
13 LICENSE, PERMIT AND ISSUING AGENT FEES) UNLESS OTHERWISE EXEMPT
14 FROM SUCH FEES UNDER THIS TITLE.

15 (C) REDEMPTION.--THE VOUCHER SHALL ONLY BE REDEEMED FOR THE
16 TYPE OF LICENSE OR PERMIT INDICATED ON THE VOUCHER AND FOR WHICH
17 THE APPLICABLE FEES HAVE BEEN PAID BY THE VOUCHER PURCHASER.
18 VOUCHERS SHALL BE REDEEMED PRIOR TO THEIR EXPIRATION DATE. NO
19 ISSUING AGENT FEE SHALL BE PAID AT THE TIME OF REDEMPTION. A
20 VOUCHER SHALL BE REDEEMED BY ANY ISSUING AGENT REGARDLESS OF
21 WHERE THE VOUCHER WAS PURCHASED. AT THE TIME OF REDEMPTION, THE
22 BEARER OF A VOUCHER SHALL ESTABLISH THAT HE MEETS THE
23 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TYPE OF LICENSE INDICATED ON
24 THE VOUCHER, AND THE ISSUING AGENT THAT REDEEMS THE VOUCHER
25 SHALL SECURE POSITIVE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION, RESIDENCY AND AGE
26 FROM THE BEARER.

27 (D) RESTRICTIONS.--THE BEARER OF A VOUCHER IS SUBJECT TO ALL
28 RESTRICTIONS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE, DENIAL OR REVOCATION OF A
29 LICENSE OR PERMIT PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE OR ANY OTHER TITLE, LAW
30 OR REGULATION. A VOUCHER DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A FISHING LICENSE

1 OR PERMIT, AND IT IS UNLAWFUL TO USE A VOUCHER IN LIEU OF A
2 FISHING LICENSE OR PERMIT.

3 (E) REGULATIONS.--THE COMMISSION MAY PROMULGATE REGULATIONS
4 TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.

5 (F) PENALTIES.--ANY PERSON VIOLATING THIS SECTION COMMITS A
6 SUMMARY OFFENSE OF THE FIRST DEGREE. ANY PERSON COMMITTING A
7 SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IN A 12-MONTH
8 PERIOD COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE SECOND DEGREE.

9 Section 2. This act shall take effect ~~June 30, 2007~~ IN 60
10 DAYS. <—