
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SONNEY, TALLMAN AND VEREB, FEBRUARY 11, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, FEBRUARY 11, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in hunting and furtaking licenses, further
3 providing for resident license and fee exemptions for
4 disabled veterans and senior citizens.

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

7 Section 1. Section 2706(b)(1), (1.1), (2) and (3) of Title
8 34 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended and the
9 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

10 § 2706. Resident license and fee exemptions.

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12 (b) Disabled veterans.--

13 (1) Any resident disabled veteran who has a disability
14 incurred in any war or armed conflict which consists of the
15 loss of one or more limbs, or the loss of the use of one or
16 more limbs, or [who is 100% disabled as certified by the
17 United States Department of Veterans Affairs] whose physical
18 disability is considered 40% or greater, and who meets all

1 other qualifications of this title and is otherwise mentally
2 and physically fit, shall be issued a free regular hunting or
3 furtaking license upon application to the commission or a
4 county treasurer. The disabled veteran shall be entitled to
5 archery and muzzleloader privileges, without the payment of
6 the license cost, if the person is domiciled in this
7 Commonwealth.

8 [(1.1) Any disabled veteran who has a disability
9 incurred in any war or armed conflict and possesses a
10 disability rating between 60% and 99% as certified by the
11 United States Department of Veterans Affairs and who meets
12 all other qualifications of this act and is otherwise
13 mentally and physically fit shall be issued a resident
14 hunting or furtaking license at the cost of \$1 upon
15 application to the commission or a county treasurer.]

16 (2) The application for the issuance of a license under
17 paragraph (1) [or (1.1)] shall, in addition to the other
18 information required by the commission, contain a statement
19 that the applicant is a war or armed conflict veteran and
20 that the qualifying disability was service incurred.

21 (3) [The issuing agent or the commission may require the
22 production of the discharge papers of the applicant.] The
23 applicant shall produce the applicant's discharge papers and
24 a Department of Military and Veterans Affairs disability
25 certification to the effect that the applicant suffers 40%
26 or greater physical disability.

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28 (h) Senior citizens.--A senior citizen who holds any of the
29 following shall be entitled to archery and muzzleloader
30 privileges without the payment of the license cost:

1 (1) A senior resident hunting license or a senior
2 lifetime resident hunting license.

3 (2) A senior resident combination hunting and furtaking
4 license or a senior lifetime resident combination hunting and
5 furtaking license.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.