THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, APRIL 24, 2017

AN ACT

Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 1 Statutes, in hunting and furtaking licenses, further 2 providing for resident license and fee exemptions and for 3 license costs and fees. 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 6 7 Section 1. Sections 2706(b)(1) and 2709(a)(4), (5), (6), 8 (7), (20), (21) and (22) of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read: 10 § 2706. Resident license and fee exemptions. 11 * * * 12 (b) Disabled veterans. --13 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

United States Department of Veterans Affairs, and who meets

all other qualifications of this title and is otherwise

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- 1 mentally and physically fit, shall [be issued a free regular
- 2 hunting or furtaking license], upon application to the
- 3 commission or a county treasurer[.], be issued any of the
- 4 <u>following licenses without cost:</u>
- 5 <u>(i) Regular hunting.</u>
- 6 <u>(ii) Regular furtaking.</u>
- 7 <u>(iii) Antlerless deer.</u>
- 8 <u>(iv) Bear.</u>
- 9 <u>(v) Archery.</u>
- 10 <u>(vi) Muzzleloader.</u>
- 11 <u>(vii) Migratory game bird.</u>
- 12 <u>(viii) Elk.</u>
- 13 <u>(ix) Special wild turkey.</u>
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- 15 § 2709. License costs and fees.
- 16 (a) License costs. -- Any person who qualifies under the
- 17 provisions of this chapter shall be issued the applicable
- 18 license upon payment of the following costs and the issuing
- 19 agent's fee:
- 20 * * *
- 21 (4) Bear hunting:
- 22 (i) Resident \$15.
- 23 (ii) Nonresident \$35.
- 24 (iii) Resident disabled veteran no cost.
- 25 (5) Antlerless deer:
- 26 (i) Resident, including resident military[, resident
- 27 disabled veteran] and landowner \$5.
- 28 (ii) Nonresident \$25.
- 29 <u>(iii) Resident disabled veteran no cost.</u>
- 30 (6) Archery deer:

1 (i) Resident - \$15. 2 (ii) Nonresident - \$25. (iii) Resident disabled veteran - no cost. 3 4 (7) Muzzleloader deer: (i) Resident - \$10. 5 6 (ii) Nonresident - \$20. (iii) Resident disabled veteran - no cost. 7 8 9 (20) Migratory game bird hunting license: (i) Resident - \$2. 10 (ii) Nonresident - \$5. 11 (iii) Resident disabled veteran - no cost. 12 13 (21) Elk hunting license: 14 (i) Resident - \$25. 15 (ii) Nonresident - \$250. 16 (iii) Resident disabled veteran - no cost. 17 (22) Special wild turkey license: 18 (i) Resident - \$20. 19 (ii) Nonresident - \$40. 20 (iii) Resident disabled veteran - no cost. 21

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