

LEGISLATURE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

FILE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No.

843

Session of
1919.

INTRODUCED BY MR. MARTIN, MARCH 10, 1919.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS,
MARCH 11, 1919.

AN ACT

To amend section four of the act approved the seventeenth day of April one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws eighty-five) entitled "An act for the better protection of wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requiring citizens of the United States residing within this State to procure a license before using guns for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth and providing penalties for violation of its several provisions and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance therewith and providing for the disposition of the license fees fines and penalties received"

- 1 Section 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-*
- 2 *sentatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly*
- 3 *met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That*
- 4 *section four of the act approved the seventeenth day of*
- 5 *April one thousand nine hundred thirteen (Pamphlet Laws*

1 eighty-five) entitled "An act for the better protection of
2 wild birds and game within the Commonwealth of Penn-
3 sylvania requiring citizens of the United States residing
4 within this State to procure a license before using guns
5 for the purpose of hunting for any wild birds or
6 animals protected by the laws of this Commonwealth and
7 providing penalties for violation of its several provisions
8 and the manner of proceeding to enforce compliance there-
9 with and providing for the disposition of the license fees
10 fines and penalties received" which reads as follows

11 "Section 4 Each and every resident of this Common-
12 wealth—such resident being a citizen of the United States
13 —upon application made verbally or in writing to any
14 county treasurer within the Commonwealth and the pre-
15 sentation of proof that he is a citizen of the United
16 States and a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth
17 under the requirements of this act and the payment to
18 said county treasurer of one dollar shall be entitled to
19 what is herein designated as a "Resident Hunter's License"
20 and a tag with the number of the license thereon Pro-
21 vided That no person under the age of sixteen years
22 shall be entitled to or receive such license without pre-
23 senting a written request therefor bearing the signature
24 of his father or mother or his legally constituted
25 guardian Provided further That no person under fourteen
26 years of age shall be granted a license Said license
27 shall be issued on a form prepared and supplied by the
28 Board of Game Commissioners at the cost of the Com-
29 monwealth Such license shall bear a description of the

1 person applying for the same with the date of its issue
2 and shall authorize the person named therein to use legal
3 firearms for the purpose of hunting and killing any of
4 the wild animals or game birds protected by the laws
5 of this Commonwealth under the restrictions and requirements of ex-
6 isting laws during that year the date of which is inscribed thereon
7 Said certificate shall become void upon the thirty-first day of De-
8 cember next following the date of issue The Game Commission shall
9 also furnish free of charge and the county treasurer shall issue with
10 each license a tag bearing the license number in figures
11 at least one inch in height which tag said licensee is
12 required to display on the back of the sleeve between
13 the elbow and the shoulder in such manner that the
14 figures be visible at all times while hunting Provided
15 That it shall be lawful under the provisions of this act
16 for any justice of the peace within this Commonwealth
17 who has qualified therefor by having applied to the
18 county treasurer of the county in which he is located
19 and having received and receipted for necessary blank tags
20 to issue a resident hunter's license and tag on like
21 conditions and in like manner as prescribed for the is-
22 suance of licenses by any county treasurer upon payment
23 of fifteen cents to said justice by the said licensee in
24 addition to the other dollar prescribed as the cost of
25 said license said fifteen cents to be retained by said
26 justice of the peace as his fee for the issuance of said
27 license and reporting the same and remitting payment
28 therefor to the county treasurer of the county in which
29 said justice of the peace is located Such report and

1 remittance to be made and done by said justice of the
2 peace within twenty-four hours after the issuance of said
3 license by him Whereupon said county treasurer shall
4 make a record of and otherwise treat said license as
5 though it had been issued from his office except that he
6 shall also note upon his record the name of the
7 justice issuing the license Every justice of the peace
8 shall deliver the book or books from which he has is-
9 sued licenses together with the stubs therein properly
10 filled out and showing the names of each licensee and
11 the number of the license issued to him to the treas-
12 urer of his county during the month of January of each
13 year" is hereby amended to read as follows

14 Section 4 Each and every resident of this Common-
15 wealth—such resident being a citizen of the United States—
16 upon application made verbally or in writing to any
17 county treasurer within the Commonwealth and the pre-
18 sentation of proof that he is a citizen of the United
19 States and a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth
20 under the requirements of this act and in the case of
21 naturalized foreign applicants the production of such an-
22 applicant's naturalization papers and the payment to said
23 county treasurer of one dollar shall be entitled to what
24 is herein designated as a "Resident Hunter's License" and
25 a tag with the number of the license thereon Provided
26 That no person under the age of sixteen years shall be
27 entitled to or receive such license without presenting a
28 written request therefor bearing the signature of his father
29 or mother or his legally constituted guardian Provided

1 further That no person under fourteen years of age shall
2 be granted a license Said license shall be issued on a
3 form prepared and supplied by the Board of Game Com-
4 missioners at the cost of the Commonwealth Such license
5 shall bear a description of the person applying for the
6 same setting forth the color of the hair and eyes any
7 marks or scars peculiar to the applicant and such other
8 description as the Board of Game Commissioners may re-
9 quire with the date of its issue and in the case of
10 naturalized foreigners in addition to the above such license
11 shall contain the nationality of the person and all dates
12 and numbers of the naturalization papers and shall au-
13 thorize the person named therein to use legal firearms
14 for the purpose of hunting and killing any of the wild
15 animals or game birds protected by the laws of this
16 Commonwealth under the restrictions and requirements of
17 existing laws during that year the date of which is in-
18 scribed thereon Said certificate shall become void upon the
19 thirty-first day of December next following the date of
20 issue The Game Commission shall also furnish free of
21 charge and the county treasurer shall issue with each
22 license a tag bearing the license number in figures at
23 least one inch in height which tag said licensee is re-
24 quired to display on the back of the sleeve between the
25 elbow and the shoulder in such manner that the figures
26 be visible at all times while hunting Provided That it
27 shall be lawful under the provisions of this act for any
28 justice of the peace within this Commonwealth who has

1 qualified therefor by having applied to the county treasurer
2 of the county in which he is located and having re-
3 ceived and receipted for necessary blanks and tags to
4 issue a resident hunter's license and tag on like condi-
5 tions and in like manner as prescribed for the issuance
6 of licenses by any county treasurer upon payment of
7 fifteen cents to said justice, by the said licensee in ad-
8 dition to the other dollar prescribed as the cost of said
9 license said fifteen cents to be retained by said justice
10 of the peace as his fee for the issuance of said li-
11 cense and reporting the same and remitting payment
12 therefor to the county treasurer of the county in which
13 said justice of the peace is located Such report and
14 remittance to be made and done by said justice of the
15 peace within twenty-four hours after the issuance of said
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17 make a record of and otherwise treat said license as
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19 he shall also note upon his record the name of the
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21 shall deliver the book or books from which he has is-
22 sued licenses together with the stubs therein properly filled
23 out and showing the names of each licensee and the
24 number of the license issued to him to the treasurer
25 of his county during the month of January of each
26 year