

## No. 47

## AN ACT

## HB 296

Amending the act of December 15, 1959 (P.L.1779, No.673), entitled, as amended, "An act relating to fish, frogs, tadpoles and turtles; and amending, revising, consolidating and changing the law relating to fish in the inland waters and the boundary lakes and boundary rivers of the Commonwealth," changing the fees for resident fishing licenses, nonresident fishing licenses, tourist licenses, changing the minimal age for nonresident, alien and tourist licenses and providing for issuance and wearing of a license button.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 220, subsections (a) and (b) of section 221 and section 222, act of December 15, 1959 (P.L.1779, No.673), known as "The Fish Law of 1959," amended December 10, 1970 (P.L.891, No.281), are amended to read:

Section 220. Resident Fishing License; Fees.—(a) For the purposes of this article, every person sixteen years of age and upward, upon application to any issuing agent within the Commonwealth, or to the Commission, and upon the establishment of his identity *and age* to the satisfaction of the issuing agent or the Commission by producing a bank book, letters, lodge cards, police cards, a motor vehicle operator's permit or some other positive means of identification *and age*, that he has been a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth for a period of sixty days next preceding his application and was born in the United States, and in the case of naturalized foreign-born residents, the production of such applicant's naturalization papers, shall, upon the payment to the issuing agent or the Commission of a license fee of [**five dollars (\$5.00)**] *seven dollars fifty cents (\$7.50)* except as hereinafter provided for persons sixty-five years of age and over for the use of the Commonwealth, and in the event that the license is issued by an issuing agent, a fee of [**twenty cents (20¢)**] *twenty-five cents (25¢)* for the use of the issuing agent, be entitled to the license herein referred to as a "resident fishing license." Residents with the above qualifications, who are sixty-five or more years of age at the time of application, shall be entitled to a "resident fishing license" upon payment to said agent or the Commission of a license fee of two dollars (\$2.00) for the use of the Commonwealth, and in the event that the license is issued by an issuing agent, a fee of [**twenty cents (20¢)**] *twenty-five cents (25¢)* for the use of the issuing agent. The [**application for the issuance of a**] license in such cases shall, in addition to the other information required, give the date of birth of the applicant.

\* \* \*

Section 221. Nonresident and Alien Nonresident Fishing License Fees; Tourist Fishing License Fees for Nonresidents and Alien

Nonresidents.—(a) For the purposes of this article, every person, **[twelve] sixteen** years of age and upward, upon application to any issuing agent within the Commonwealth or to the Commission and the presentation of proof that he is an alien or a nonresident of this Commonwealth, shall, upon the payment to the issuing agent or the Commission of the sum of **[nine dollars and fifty cents (\$9.50)] twelve dollars fifty cents (\$12.50)**, and in the event the license is issued by an issuing agent, the payment of **[twenty cents (20¢)] twenty-five cents (25¢)** for the use of the issuing agent, be entitled to the license herein referred to as a “nonresident fishing license.”

(b) For the purposes of this article, every person, **[twelve] sixteen** years of age and upward, upon application to any issuing agent within the Commonwealth, or to the Commission and the presentation of proof that he is a nonresident of the Commonwealth, shall, upon the payment to the issuing agent or the Commission a license fee of **[five dollars (\$5.00)] seven dollars fifty cents (\$7.50)** for the use of the Commonwealth, and in the event that the license is issued by an issuing agent, a fee of **[twenty cents (20¢)] twenty-five cents (25¢)** for the use of the issuing agent, be entitled to the license herein referred to as a “tourist fishing license,” which shall be valid for a period of **[five] seven** consecutive days.

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

\* \* \*

Section 222. Applications for Licenses; License Year.—All licenses shall be issued on forms prepared and supplied by the Commission, the cost thereof to be paid from the Fish License Fund hereafter provided for. The license shall show the name, age, occupation and residence of the licensee and the date of its issue. It shall also contain the signature of the licensee, written in ink, and shall authorize the person named therein to fish or angle in the waters of this Commonwealth or in the waters bounding or adjacent thereto under the restrictions and requirements of existing laws during the year, the date of which is inscribed thereon. The license shall become void upon the thirty-first day of December next following the date of issue. The license may contain such other information as the Commission may require. *There shall also be issued with each license a license button bearing the license number.*

Section 2. The first paragraph of section 226 of the act, amended July 14, 1961 (P.L.612, No.308), is amended to read:

Section 226. Unlawful to Fish without License.—No person shall angle or fish in any of the waters within or bounding on or adjacent to this Commonwealth unless the license hereinbefore provided be at such time continually **[displayed on an outer garment] kept about the person** of the licensee and exhibited upon the request of any fish warden, sheriff, constable or other officer of the Commonwealth. *No person shall angle*

*or fish in any of the waters within or bounding on or adjacent to this Commonwealth unless the license button be at such time continually displayed on the outer garment in such manner that the license figures are plainly visible.*

\* \* \*

Section 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 1974.

APPROVED—The 24th day of July, A. D. 1973.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 47.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. McLaughlin Tucker".

*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*