## No. 1983-27

## AN ACT

## HB 595

Amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, increasing certain fees.

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

Section 1. Sections 2701, 2702, 2704 and 2711(b) of Title 30 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

- § 2701. Resident fishing licenses.
- (a) General rule.—For the purposes of this chapter any person 16 years of age or older is entitled to a "Resident Fishing License" if:
  - (1) He has applied to an issuing agent within this Commonwealth or to the commission.
  - (2) He has established his identity, age and the fact that he is a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth to the satisfaction of the issuing agent or the commission by producing a motor vehicle driver's license or some other positive means of identification.
  - (3) He has paid the issuing agent or the commission a license fee of \$12 plus a service fee of [25¢] 50¢ to the issuing agent.
- (b) Senior citizens.—A person 65 years of age or older at the time of application who complies with subsection (a)(1) and (2) is entitled to a "Senior Resident Fishing License" if he pays a license fee of \$2 to the issuing agent or the commission plus a service fee of [25¢] 50¢ to the issuing agent. The application shall give the date of birth of the applicant. Any person who qualifies to purchase a Senior Resident Fishing License may, in lieu thereof, purchase a Senior Resident Fishing License which shall be valid for his lifetime upon the payment of a fee of \$10 for the use of the Commonwealth and, in the event the license is issued by an issuing agent, a fee of [25¢] 50¢ for the use of the issuing agent.
- § 2702. Nonresident and tourist licenses.
- (a) Nonresident licenses.—For the purposes of this chapter any person 16 years of age or older is entitled to a "Nonresident Fishing License" if:
  - (1) He is not a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth.
  - (2) He has applied to an issuing agent or to the commission.
  - (3) He has paid the issuing agent or the commission a license fee of \$20 plus a service fee of [25¢] 50¢ to the issuing agent.
- (b) Tourist licenses.—For the purposes of this chapter any person 16 years of age or older is entitled to a "Seven Day Tourist Fishing License," valid for a period of seven consecutive days, if:
  - (1) He is not a bona fide resident of this Commonwealth.
  - (2) He has applied to an issuing agent or to the commission.

(3) He has paid the issuing agent or the commission a license fee of \$15 plus a service charge of [25¢] 50¢ to the issuing agent.

§ 2704. Lost fishing licenses.

In case a license certificate is lost or destroyed, a new license may be secured from the commission or any issuing agent upon making affidavit to that effect and paying a fee of \$1 plus a service fee of [25¢] 50¢ to the issuing agent.

§ 2711. Issuing agents.

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(b) Compensation and fees.—For services rendered in collecting and paying over license fees, issuing agents, as long as they continue to act in that capacity, may collect and retain the sum of [25¢] 50¢ for each fishing license sold which amount shall be full compensation for services rendered by them under the provisions of this title. The compensation shall be retained by the respective issuing agents and shall cover, among other things, the cost of issuing licenses, postage, mailing, returns and bonding of said agents. All license fees paid to an issuing agent under this title shall be paid by those agents into the State Treasury through the commission at least once a month and they shall be applied to the purposes provided for in this title. An issuing agent shall make a return to the commission upon a form to be supplied by the commission. Any issuing agent failing to comply with any of the provisions of this section shall not be entitled to retain the fee fixed in this subsection for his services but shall pay those fees to the State Treasurer. If those sums are not so paid, the Commonwealth may recover them by suit in the same manner as like amounts are now recoverable by law.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 1984.

APPROVED—The 20th day of July, A. D. 1983.

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