

No. 2009-40

## AN ACT

SB 574

Amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special licenses and permits, further providing for Lake Erie fishing permits.

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

Section 1. Section 2907.2(a) and (f.1) of Title 30 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

§ 2907.2. Lake Erie fishing permits.

(a) Permit required.—No person shall fish in **[the Pennsylvania waters of]** Lake Erie, Presque Isle Bay and their tributaries, *including waters that flow into those tributaries*, without first procuring an annual special permit for such fishing or the combination trout/salmon/Lake Erie permit.

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(f.1) Lake Erie permits.—The proceeds from the fees for the special Lake Erie fishing permits as provided for under section 2715(a.1)(4) (relating to license, permit and issuing agent fees) and \$6 of the fees for the combination trout/salmon permits and Lake Erie permits as provided for under section 2715(a.1)(5) shall be deposited into a restricted account within the Fish Fund **[for five years] through December 31, 2014**. The restricted account shall be used to provide public fishing access *or to protect or improve fish habitat* on or at Lake Erie **[and the watersheds of Lake Erie], Presque Isle Bay and their tributaries, including waters that flow into those tributaries**.

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

APPROVED—The 27th day of August, A.D. 2009.

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