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SENATE BILL 173

Short Title: No Residency/Disabled Hunting License. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Albertson; Atwater, Brown, Brunstetter, Clodfelter, Foriest, Forrester, Goodall, Jenkins, Snow, Soles, Tillman, and Weinstein.

Referred to: Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO REMOVE THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT ON ALL HUNTING
AND FISHING LICENSES FOR THE DISABLED AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL
CORRECTIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 113-174.2(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) Types of CRFLs; Fees; Duration. – The Wildlife Resources Commission shall issue the following CRFLs:

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- j. ~~Resident~~ Disabled Veteran CRFL. – \$10.00. This license shall be issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of the State and~~ who is a fifty percent (50%) or more disabled veteran as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. This license remains valid for the lifetime of the licensee so long as the licensee remains fifty percent (50%) or more disabled.
- k. ~~Resident~~ Totally Disabled CRFL. – \$10.00. This license shall be issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of the State and~~ who is totally and permanently disabled as determined by the Social Security ~~Administration.~~ Administration or the Railroad Retirement Board."

SECTION 2. G.S. 113-270.1A(a1) reads as rewritten:

"(a1) A person who qualifies for a ~~totally disabled resident combination hunting fishing license under G.S. 113-270.1C(b)(4)~~ Disabled Veteran Lifetime Combination Hunting and Inland Fishing License under G.S. 113-270.1C(b)(5), a Totally Disabled Lifetime Combination Hunting and Inland Fishing License under G.S. 113-270.1C(b)(6), a Disabled Veteran Lifetime Sportsman License under G.S. 113-270.1D(b)(7), a Totally Disabled Lifetime Sportsman License under

1 G.S. 113-270.1D(b)(8), a Disabled Veteran Lifetime Unified Sportsman/Coastal
2 Recreational Fishing License under G.S. 113-351(c)(3)(f), or a Totally Disabled
3 Lifetime Unified Sportsman/Coastal Recreational Fishing License under
4 G.S. 113-351(c)(3)(g) need not comply with the requirements of subsection (a) of this
5 section in order to receive that license, so long as the person does not make use of the
6 license unless:

- 7 (1) The disabled hunter is accompanied by an adult who is licensed to
8 hunt; and
- 9 (2) The licensed adult maintains a proximity to the disabled hunter which
10 enables the adult to monitor the activities of, and communicate with,
11 the disabled hunter at all times."

12 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 113-270.1C(b) reads as rewritten:

13 "(b) Combination hunting and inland fishing licenses issued by the Wildlife
14 Resources Commission are:

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- 16 (5) ~~Resident~~ Disabled Veteran Lifetime Combination Hunting and Inland
17 Fishing License – \$10.00. This license shall be issued only to an
18 individual ~~who is a resident of the State and~~ who is a fifty percent
19 (50%) or more disabled veteran as determined by the United States
20 Department of Veterans Affairs. This license remains valid for the
21 lifetime of the licensee so long as the licensee remains fifty percent
22 (50%) or more disabled. This license entitles the licensee to fish in
23 public mountain trout waters as provided in G.S. 113-272(a).
- 24 (6) ~~Resident~~ Totally Disabled Lifetime Combination Hunting and Inland
25 Fishing License – \$10.00. This license shall be issued only to an
26 individual ~~who is a resident of the State and~~ who is totally and
27 permanently disabled as determined by the Social Security
28 ~~Administration. Administration or the Railroad Retirement Board.~~ This
29 license remains valid for the lifetime of the licensee. This license
30 entitles the licensee to fish in public mountain trout waters as provided
31 in G.S. 113-272(a)."

32 **SECTION 4.** G.S. 113-270.1D(b) reads as rewritten:

33 "(b) Lifetime Sportsman Licenses. Except as provided in subdivision (7) of this
34 subsection, lifetime sportsman licenses are valid for the lifetime of the licensees.
35 Lifetime sportsman licenses entitle the licensees to take all wild animals and wild birds
36 by all lawful methods in all open seasons, including the use of game lands, and to fish
37 with hook and line for all fish in all inland and joint fishing waters, including public
38 mountain trout waters. A lifetime sportsman license issued under this subsection does
39 not entitle the licensee to engage in recreational fishing in coastal fishing waters that are
40 not joint fishing waters. Lifetime sportsman licenses issued by the Wildlife Resources
41 Commission are:

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- 43 (7) ~~Resident~~ Disabled Veteran Lifetime Sportsman License – \$100.00.
44 This license shall be issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of~~

1 ~~the State and~~ who is a fifty percent (50%) or more disabled veteran as
2 determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. This
3 license remains valid for the lifetime of the licensee so long as the
4 licensee remains fifty percent (50%) or more disabled.

- 5 (8) ~~Resident~~ Totally Disabled Lifetime Sportsman License – \$100.00.
6 This license shall be issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of~~
7 ~~the State and~~ who is totally and permanently disabled as determined by
8 the Social Security ~~Administration.~~ Administration or the Railroad
9 Retirement Board."

10 **SECTION 5.** G.S. 113-271(d) reads as rewritten:

11 "(d) The hook-and-line fishing licenses issued by the Wildlife Resources
12 Commission are as follows:

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- 14 (6b) ~~Resident~~ Disabled Veteran Lifetime Inland Fishing License – \$10.00.
15 This license shall be issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of~~
16 ~~the State and~~ who is a fifty percent (50%) or more disabled veteran as
17 determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. This
18 license remains valid for the lifetime of the licensee so long as the
19 licensee remains fifty percent (50%) or more disabled.

- 20 (6c) ~~Resident~~ Totally Disabled Lifetime Inland Fishing License – \$10.00.
21 This license shall be issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of~~
22 ~~the State and~~ who is totally and permanently disabled as determined by
23 the Social Security ~~Administration.~~ Administration or the Railroad
24 Retirement Board. This license remains valid for the lifetime of the
25 licensee.

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27 **SECTION 6.** G.S. 113-351(c) reads as rewritten:

28 "(c) Types of Unified Hunting and Fishing Licenses; Fees; Duration. – The
29 Wildlife Resources Commission shall issue the following Unified Hunting and Fishing
30 Licenses:

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- 32 (3) Lifetime Unified Sportsman/Coastal Recreational Fishing Licenses. –
33 Except as provided in sub-subdivision f. of this subdivision, a license
34 issued under this subdivision is valid for the lifetime of the licensee. A
35 license issued under this subdivision authorizes the licensee to take all
36 wild animals and wild birds, including waterfowl, by all lawful
37 methods in all open seasons, including the use of game lands; to fish
38 with hook and line for all fish in all inland fishing waters and joint
39 fishing waters, including public mountain trout waters; and to engage
40 in recreational fishing in coastal fishing waters.

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- 42 f. ~~Resident~~ Disabled Veteran Lifetime Unified Sportsman/Coastal
43 Recreational Fishing License. – \$110.00. This license shall be
44 issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of the State and~~

1 who is a fifty percent (50%) or more disabled veteran as
 2 determined by the United States Department of Veterans
 3 Affairs. This license remains valid for the lifetime of the
 4 licensee so long as the licensee remains fifty percent (50%) or
 5 more disabled.

6 g. ~~Resident~~ Totally Disabled Lifetime Unified Sportsman/Coastal
 7 Recreational Fishing License. – \$110.00. This license shall be
 8 issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of the State and~~
 9 who is totally and permanently disabled as determined by the
 10 Social Security ~~Administration.~~ Administration or the Railroad
 11 Retirement Board.

12 (4) Lifetime Unified Inland/Coastal Recreational Fishing Licenses. –
 13 Except as provided in sub-subdivisions b. and c. of this subdivision, a
 14 license issued under this subdivision is valid for the lifetime of the
 15 licensee. A license issued under this subdivision authorizes the
 16 licensee to fish with hook and line for all fish in all inland fishing
 17 waters and joint fishing waters, including public mountain trout
 18 waters, and to engage in recreational fishing in coastal fishing waters.

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 20 b. ~~Resident~~ Legally Blind Lifetime Unified Inland/Coastal
 21 Recreational Fishing License. – No charge. This license shall be
 22 issued only to an individual ~~who is a resident of the State and~~
 23 who has been certified by the North Carolina Department of
 24 Health and Human Services Services, or an equivalent agency
 25 in the person's state of residence, as an individual whose vision
 26 with glasses is insufficient for use in ordinary occupations for
 27 which sight is essential. This license remains valid for the
 28 lifetime of the licensee so long as the licensee remains legally
 29 blind.

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31 **SECTION 7.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.