

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1061
Committee Substitute Favorable 6/7/22

Short Title: Currituck County Game Commission/Licensing. (Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

May 27, 2022

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE LICENSING FEES OF THE CURRITUCK COUNTY GAME
3 COMMISSION.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.(a)** Section 8 of Chapter 1436 of the 1957 Session Laws, as amended
6 by Section 6 of Chapter 622 of the 1981 Session Laws, Section 1 of S.L. 1997-163, and Section
7 51 of S.L. 1997-456, reads as rewritten:

8 "Section 8. To obtain a license for either a stationary bush blind or a floating bush blind, the
9 applicant shall apply in writing to the clerk to the Game Commission enclosing:

- 10 (1) ~~Twenty five dollars (\$25.00)~~ Forty dollars (\$40.00) if the applicant is a
11 resident of North Carolina; or
12 (2) Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) if the applicant is not a resident of North
13 Carolina.

14 In addition to this nonrefundable application fee, each application shall be accompanied by a
15 nonrefundable processing fee of ten dollars (\$10.00). Applicants shall submit proof of North
16 Carolina residency along with each application.

17 Applicants who are not residents of North Carolina but who were the holders of licensed
18 blinds for the 1996-97 waterfowl season shall be charged as North Carolina residents for all
19 subsequent renewals of that application. However, this exemption terminates if the blind license
20 is not renewed during any subsequent annual renewal period and is not transferable to any
21 different blind location.

22 Float blinds when licensed shall bear the license number or tag, and the same shall be
23 displayed in a prominent or conspicuous place upon the blind."

24 **SECTION 1.(b)** Subsection (b) of Section 10 of Chapter 1436 of the 1957 Session
25 Laws, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 398 of the 1975 Session Laws, Section 7 of Chapter
26 622 of the 1981 Session Laws, Section 4 of Chapter 764 of the 1983 Session Laws, and Section
27 2 of S.L. 1997-163, reads as rewritten:

28 "(b) Application must be filed on or before August 1 of each year to insure timely
29 consideration. To obtain a license for a point blind, the applicant shall apply in writing to the
30 clerk to the Game Commission enclosing ~~twenty five dollars (\$25.00)~~ forty dollars (\$40.00). In
31 addition to the application fee, each application shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable
32 processing fee of ten dollars (\$10.00)."

33 **SECTION 1.(c)** Section 16 of Chapter 1436 of the 1957 Session Laws, as amended
34 by Section 1 of Chapter 1178 of the 1971 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

35 "Sec. 16. The use of airboats on the public waters of Currituck County ~~Game Commission~~
36 ~~with the approval of the North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission shall have authority to~~



1 ~~restrict or prohibit the use of air boats on Currituck Sound~~ is prohibited from September 1 of
2 each year to April 1 of ~~each~~ the following year. All boats powered with gasoline, oil or similarly
3 operated engines shall use efficient mufflers in Currituck County except when otherwise
4 authorized by the Federal Government."

5 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2022, and applies to applications
6 for licenses on or after that date.