

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 591

BY REPRESENTATIVE STOKES

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

FISHING/LICENSES: Provides relative to the eligibility to purchase a senior hunting and fishing license

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:104(B)(4) and 302.1(G), relative to annual hunting and
3 fishing licenses; to authorize the purchase of a senior hunting and fishing license by
4 any person who turns sixty at any time during the calendar year in which the license
5 is purchased; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 56:104(B)(4) and 302.1(G) are hereby amended and reenacted to
8 read as follows:

9 §104. License fees; reciprocity; exceptions

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11 B.

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13 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in order to
14 hunt or fish in the state of Louisiana, a resident of this state who turns sixty years of
15 age on or after June 1, 2000, shall be required to obtain a senior hunting and fishing
16 license. However, any resident who turned sixty years of age prior to June 1, 2000,
17 may choose to purchase a senior hunting and fishing license. A fee of five dollars
18 shall be charged for this license, and the license shall be available for purchase by
19 any person who turns sixty years of age at any time during the calendar year in which
20 the license is purchased beginning from June first of each calendar year and shall be

1 valid from the date of purchase through the following June thirtieth. This license
 2 shall be in lieu of basic hunting, big game, bow, primitive firearms, and waterfowl
 3 licenses, turkey hunting stamps, WMA hunting permits, and the basic and saltwater
 4 fishing licenses and must be in the possession of the licensee when the licensee is
 5 engaged in hunting or fishing activities. Possession of this license shall authorize the
 6 licenseholder to use a crossbow or a bow that is drawn, held, and released by
 7 mechanical means. Magnified scopes may be used with crossbows.

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9 §302.1. Annual license; temporary license; fees; saltwater fee; exemptions

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 21 waterfowl and turkey hunting stamps, and the basic and saltwater fishing licenses,
 22 and must be in the possession of the licensee when the licensee is engaged in hunting
 23 or fishing activities.

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DIGEST

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HB 591 Original

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Stokes

Abstract: Allows purchase of a senior hunting and fishing license by any person who turns 60 years of age at any time during the calendar year in which the license is purchased.

Present law creates a senior hunting and fishing license for an annual fee of \$5. Such license is available beginning June 1st of each year and is valid through June 30th of the following calendar year. Such license shall be in lieu of basic hunting, big game, bow, primitive firearms, and waterfowl licenses, turkey hunting stamps, WMA hunting permits, and the basic and saltwater fishing licenses. In addition, the license authorizes use of a crossbow or a bow that is drawn, held, and released by mechanical means. Further authorizes magnified scopes with crossbows.

Proposed law provides that the senior hunting and fishing license is available for purchase by any person who turns 60 years of age at any time during the calendar year in which the license is purchased.

(Amends R.S. 56:104(B)(4) and 302.1(G))