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HOUSE BILL NO. 593

BY REPRESENTATIVES POPE AND HOFFMANN

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

HUNTING/LICENSES: Authorizes a nonresident student in a Louisiana high school to purchase a nonresident basic hunting license for the cost of a resident hunting license

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:104(A)(9), relative to hunting licenses; provides that a
3 nonresident student enrolled in a Louisiana high school may purchase hunting
4 licenses for the same cost as a resident; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:104(A)(9) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §104. License fees; reciprocity; exceptions

8 A. No license shall be issued under this Part unless there has been previously
9 paid a fee or fees as hereinafter set forth:

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11 (9)(a) Any person who is not a resident of the state of Louisiana but who is
12 a full-time student enrolled in an accredited college or university that has a physical
13 campus in the state of Louisiana may purchase a nonresident basic hunting license
14 for the cost of a resident hunting license as provided in Paragraph (1) of this
15 Subsection. Any licenses or permits ~~which~~ that may be required in addition to the
16 basic hunting license, such as a big game license or a duck license or a turkey
17 license, may also be purchased for the cost of the equivalent resident license or
18 permit. In order to purchase a license under the provisions of this ~~Paragraph~~
19 Subparagraph, the person shall provide to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
20 verification of his full-time status. Such verification may be provided through the

1 mail. Any person hunting under a license issued pursuant to this ~~Paragraph~~
 2 Subparagraph shall also have on his person his student identification card ~~which that~~
 3 indicates current full-time status.

4 (b) Any person who is sixteen years of age or older and who is not a resident
 5 of the state of Louisiana but who is enrolled as a full-time or part-time student in a
 6 public or private high school in the state of Louisiana may purchase a nonresident
 7 basic hunting license for the cost of a resident hunting license as provided in
 8 Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. Any licenses or permits that may be required in
 9 addition to the basic hunting license, such as a big game license or a duck license or
 10 a turkey license, may also be purchased for the cost of the equivalent resident license
 11 or permit. In order to purchase a license under the provisions of this Subparagraph,
 12 the person shall provide to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries verification of
 13 his enrollment status in a Louisiana high school. Such verification may be provided
 14 through the mail. Any person hunting under a license issued pursuant to this
 15 Subparagraph shall also have on his person his student identification card that
 16 indicates current enrollment status.

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DIGEST

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Pope

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Abstract: Authorizes a nonresident La. high school student to purchase hunting licenses at the cost of a resident license.

Present law requires the purchase of a basic hunting license in order to hunt in the state of La. Further requires additional licenses for hunting deer, turkey, or migratory waterfowl. Provides for resident fees and nonresident fees for such licenses.

Present law authorizes nonresident students enrolled full-time in La. colleges to obtain hunting licenses for the cost of a resident license. Requires verification of enrollment status and possession of a student identification card while hunting.

Proposed law provides the same authorization and requirements for nonresident students enrolled full-time or part-time in a La. high school. Fees would be reduced as follows:

Duck license	<u>from</u>	\$ 25	<u>to</u>	\$ 5.50
Wild turkey	<u>from</u>	\$ 25	<u>to</u>	\$ 5.50
Basic hunting	<u>from</u>	\$ 200	<u>to</u>	\$ 15
Big game	<u>from</u>	\$ 250	<u>to</u>	\$ 15
Primitive firearms	<u>from</u>	\$ 50	<u>to</u>	\$ 10.50

(Adds R.S. 56:104(A)(9))