# HOUSE BILL No. 1431

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 14-22-12-1.5.

**Synopsis:** Hunting and fishing privileges for disabled veterans. Allows a disabled veteran to obtain a hunting and fishing license free of charge.

Effective: July 1, 2018.

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January 16, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.



### Introduced

#### Second Regular Session of the 120th General Assembly (2018)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2017 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

### Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 14-22-12-1.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.151-2012,
2	SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 1.5. (a) As used in this section, "qualified
4	individual" means an individual who:
5	(1) is a resident of Indiana;
6	(2) has served in the armed forces of the United States; and
7	(3) has a service connected disability, as evidenced by:
8	(A) records of the United States Department of Veterans
9	Affairs; or
10	(B) disability retirement benefits awarded to the individual
11	under laws administered by the United States Department of
12	Defense.
13	(b) A qualified individual is entitled to reduced fee hunting and
14	fishing licenses free of charge under this section.
15	(c) Each year a qualified individual may obtain:
16	(1) both:
17	(A) a resident yearly license to fish; and



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1	(B) a resident yearly license to hunt; or
2	(2) a resident yearly license to hunt and fish;
3	by paying a reduced license fee of two dollars and seventy-five cents
4	(\$2.75) instead of the fee prescribed by section 1 of this chapter.
5	(c) Each year a qualified individual may obtain either of the
6	following licenses individually or in combination free of charge
7	instead of paying the fees prescribed by section 1 of this chapter:
8	(1) A resident yearly license to fish.
9	(2) A resident yearly license to hunt.
10	(d) Each decade a qualified individual may obtain:
11	<del>(1) both:</del>
12	(A) a resident license to fish that is valid for ten (10) years;
13	and
14	(B) a resident license to hunt that is valid for ten (10) years; or
15	(2) a resident license to hunt and fish that is valid for ten (10)
16	<del>years;</del>
17	by paying a reduced license fee of twenty-seven dollars and fifty cents
18	<del>(\$27.50).</del>
19	(e) (d) An applicant for a reduced fee license free of charge under
20	this section must do the following:
21	(1) Request the license from:
22	(A) the department;
23	(B) an agent appointed by the director under IC 14-22-11-3; or
24	(C) the clerk of the circuit court who is an authorized
25	representative of the department under IC 14-22-11-3 in the
26	county in which the individual resides.
27	(2) Present evidence that the applicant is a qualified individual.



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