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SENATE BILL NO. 336

## BY SENATOR MARIONNEAUX

FEES/LICENSES/PERMITS. Expands the credit for the payment of noncommercial hunting and fishing license fees to certain military personnel.

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 47:297.9(A) and (B), relative to noncommercial hunting and
3	fishing license fees; to provide for a credit for certain noncommercial hunting and
4	fishing license fees; to provide for conditions and requirements; and to provide for
5	related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 47:297.9(A) and (B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
8	follows:
9	§297.9. Reduction to tax due; amounts paid by certain military servicemembers and
10	dependents for certain hunting and fishing licenses
11	A. There shall be a credit against individual income tax liability due under
12	this Part for amounts paid by <u>a person who is or was</u> an active or reserve military
13	service member, or the spouse or dependent of such service member, for obtaining
14	a Louisiana noncommercial hunting or fishing license for themselves or their spouses
15	and dependents.
16	B.(1) In order <b>for a current service member</b> to claim the credit, the service
17	member shall submit to the Department of Revenue an original letter from their

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1	commanding officer which shall include the following information regarding the
2	service member:
3	(a) Full name and address of the service member.
4	(b) Full name and address of spouse and dependents, if applicable.
5	(c) Social security number.
6	(d) Date of birth.
7	(e) Driver's license number and state of issue.
8	(f) Current telephone number.
9	(g) Beginning and ending date of active or reserve military status.
10	(h) Signature of commanding officer.
11	(i) Commanding officer's contact telephone number.
12	(2) In order for a past service member to claim the credit, the service
13	member shall submit proof of his past service history satisfactory to the
14	Department of Revenue.
15	(3) The current or past service member shall also submit a copy of the
16	noncommercial hunting and fishing license to the department in order to claim the
17	credit.
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19	Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2010.

The original instrument was prepared by J. W. Wiley. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

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## DIGEST

<u>Present law</u> provides for a credit against individual income tax liability due for amounts paid by an active or reserve military service member, or their spouse or dependent, for obtaining a Louisiana noncommercial hunting or fishing license for themselves or their spouses or dependents.

<u>Proposed law</u> extends the credit to members who <u>were</u> active or reserve military servicemembers.

<u>Present law</u> provides that in order for a service member to claim the credit, the service member shall submit to the Dept. of Revenue an original letter from their commanding officer which shall include the following information regarding the service member:

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- (1) Full name and address of the service member.
- (2) Full name and address of spouse and dependents, if applicable.
- (3) Social security number.
- (4) Date of birth.
- (5) Driver's license number and state of issue.
- (6) Current telephone number.
- (7) Beginning and ending date of active or reserve military status.
- (8) Signature of the commanding officer.
- (9) Commanding officer's contact telephone number.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and limits its application to active and reserve servicemembers. Provides that for past servicemembers to claim the credit, the servicemen shall submit proof of his past service history satisfactory to the Dept. of Revenue.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the service member shall also present a copy of the noncommercial hunting or fishing license to the Dept. of Revenue in order to claim the credit.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and requires same of past servicemembers.

Effective July 1, 2010.

(Amends R.S. 47:297.9(A) and (B))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill.

1. Changes <u>from</u> providing an exemption from noncommercial hunting and fishing license fees for certain military personnel <u>to</u> expanding the credit for the payment of noncommercial hunting and fishing license fees to certain military personnel.