

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1122 Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY GILLESPIE, BOBACK, ZIMMERMAN, JONES, NEILSON, SAYLOR, DELLOSO, WHEELAND, ROWE, JOZWIAK AND GILLEN, APRIL 7, 2021

AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, IN SENATE, JANUARY 25, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, IN PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION, FURTHER PROVIDING <--
3 FOR ORGANIZATION OF COMMISSION; AND, in hunting and furtaking
4 licenses, further providing for resident license and fee
5 exemptions and for license costs and fees.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 2706 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania <--
9 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:

10 SECTION 1. SECTION 301(A) AND (B) (7) AND (8) OF TITLE 34 OF <--

11 THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED AND

12 SUBSECTION (B) IS AMENDED BY ADDING A PARAGRAPH TO READ:

13 301. ORGANIZATION OF COMMISSION.

14 (A) COMPOSITION.--THE INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION

15 KNOWN AS THE PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION SHALL CONSIST OF

16 [EIGHT] NINE COMPETENT CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH WHO SHALL

17 BE WELL INFORMED ON THE SUBJECT OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND

18 RESTORATION AND WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, BY AND

1 WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED MEMBERS  
2 OF THE SENATE.

3 (B) QUALIFICATIONS.--THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION SHALL BE  
4 APPOINTED FROM THE VARIOUS GEOGRAPHICAL SECTIONS OF THIS  
5 COMMONWEALTH SO THAT ONE AND ONLY ONE SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF  
6 EACH OF THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS:

7 \* \* \*

8 (7) THE COUNTIES OF SUSQUEHANNA, WYOMING, LUZERNE,  
9 LACKAWANNA, [CARBON, WAYNE, PIKE AND MONROE] WAYNE AND PIKE,  
10 CONSTITUTING THE SEVENTH DISTRICT.

11 (8) THE COUNTIES OF [SCHUYLKILL, BERKS,] CHESTER,  
12 [NORTHAMPTON, LEHIGH,] BUCKS, MONTGOMERY, PHILADELPHIA AND  
13 DELAWARE, CONSTITUTING THE EIGHTH DISTRICT.

14 (9) THE COUNTIES OF CARBON, MONROE, SCHUYLKILL, BERKS,  
15 NORTHAMPTON AND LEHIGH, CONSTITUTING THE NINTH DISTRICT.

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17 SECTION 2. SECTION 2706 OF TITLE 34 IS AMENDED BY ADDING A  
18 SUBSECTION TO READ:

19 § 2706. Resident license and fee exemptions.

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21 (h) Volunteer instructor license.--

22 (1) A volunteer instructor license shall be issued by  
23 the commission to an individual who meets all of the  
24 following:

25 (i) Is a resident of this Commonwealth.

26 (ii) Is certified by the commission as qualified to  
27 teach any of the hunter or trapper education curricula  
28 offered by the commission.

29 (2) This subsection may not apply to a full-time  
30 employee of the commission.

1 Section 2 3. Section 2709(a)(2) of Title 34 is amended by <--

2 adding a subparagraph to read:

3 § 2709. License costs and fees.

4 (a) License costs.--Any person who qualifies under the  
5 provisions of this chapter shall be issued the applicable  
6 license upon payment of the following costs and the issuing  
7 agent's fee:

8 \* \* \*

9 (2) \* \* \*

10 (vi) Volunteer instructor license - \$1.

11 \* \* \*

12 ~~Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.~~ <--

13 SECTION 4. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS FOLLOWS: <--

14 (1) THE ADDITION OF 34 PA.C.S. §§ 2706(H) AND 2709(A)(2)

15 (VI) SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN 60 DAYS.

16 (2) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT

17 IMMEDIATELY.