## **HOUSE BILL 1018**

## By Grills

AN ACT, to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, relative to the Tennessee wildlife resources agency.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-2-202(a) and (b), are amended by deleting the subsections and substituting the following:
  - (a) Every nonresident shall pay the fee established by rule promulgated by the commission to be able to hunt, fish, or trap in this state.
  - (b) Every nonresident shall provide the correct information specified on all licenses and permits and in the manner required by the agency.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-4-107(e), is amended by deleting the subsection.
- SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-4-119(a)(6), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting the following:
  - (6) The commission is authorized to promulgate proclamations pertaining to the use of slat baskets by sport fishing license holders. Such baskets must be marked with an identifying tag, which expires the last day of February following the date of issue. A tag will be issued to each sport fishing license holder upon application to the agency and upon payment of the established fee to defray the cost and expense of furnishing each tag;

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-5-113(a)(5), is amended by deleting the language ", whether foreign or inland, and whether steam or sail vessels".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-6-101(b)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting the following:

(1) It is the duty of every person participating in taking or possessing wildlife as permitted by this title to permit the executive director or officers of the agency to ascertain whether the requirements of this title are being faithfully complied with, including the possession of a proper license.

SECTION 6. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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