

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0169

Lifetime fishing licenses for permanently disabled persons.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Haley, Burlingame, Freeman, Hallinan, Henderson, Kinner, Paxton, Salazar, Styvar and Zwonitzer and Senator(s) Gierau and Moniz

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; authorizing the game and
2 fish commission to issue lifetime complimentary fishing
3 licenses and conservation stamps for permanently and totally
4 disabled residents as specified; requiring rulemaking; and
5 providing for effective dates.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 23-1-302 by creating a new subsection
10 (q), 23-1-504(a)(iv), (v) and by creating a new paragraph
11 (vi) and 23-2-306(a)(intro) are amended to read:

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13 **23-1-302. Powers and duties.**

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1 (g) The commission shall, by rule and regulation,
2 establish a process for issuing a resident lifetime fishing
3 license and conservation stamp at no cost to any resident who
4 is permanently and totally disabled. As used in this
5 subsection, "permanently and totally disabled" means the
6 presence of a permanent physical or mental condition that
7 prevents a person from engaging in substantial gainful
8 activity.

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10 **23-1-504. Free and reduced price license revenue**
11 **recoupment program.**

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13 (a) Not later than July 31, 2007, and not later than
14 July 31 of each subsequent year thereafter, the chief fiscal
15 officer of the game and fish department shall prepare and
16 certify a report of licenses sold or issued in the previous
17 calendar year under the following statutes:

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19 (iv) W.S. 23-1-705(a), (d), (e) and (h); ~~and~~

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21 (v) W.S. 23-2-207(a); ~~and~~

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23 (vi) W.S. 23-1-302(g).

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2 **23-2-306. Conservation stamp; exemptions.**

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4 (a) Subject to subsections (b) and (c) of this section
5 and the applicable fee under W.S. 23-1-701, each sportsman
6 licensed under W.S. 23-2-101, 23-2-107 or 23-2-201 shall
7 purchase a single conservation stamp for twelve dollars
8 (\$12.00) which shall be valid for the time period specified
9 in commission rules not to exceed twelve (12) months. The
10 stamp or an authorization signifying purchase of the stamp
11 shall be in the possession of any person exercising rights
12 under any fishing or hunting license issued pursuant to W.S.
13 23-2-101, 23-2-107 or 23-2-201. Holders of special limited
14 fishing permits issued under W.S. 23-2-207 and holders of
15 licenses only under W.S. 23-1-302(g), 23-2-101(j)(v) and
16 (vi), 23-2-201(d)(vi), (vii) and (ix), 23-2-201(f) and
17 23-2-201(g) are exempt from the provisions of this section
18 when exercising hunting or fishing privileges provided under
19 those specific licenses. Revenues collected from the sale of
20 each stamp under this subsection shall be deposited as
21 follows:

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1 **Section 2.** The game and fish commission shall
2 promulgate any rules necessary to implement this act,
3 provided that these rules shall not take effect until July 1,
4 2019.

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6 **Section 3.**

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8 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section,
9 this act is effective July 1, 2019.

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11 (b) Section 2 of this act is effective immediately upon
12 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as
13 provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

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