

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources, to which was referred House Bill No. 1279, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Page 11, delete lines 40 through 42, begin a new paragraph and
2 insert:
3 "SECTION 20. IC 14-22-12-1.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
4 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 1.5. (a) As used in this
5 section, "qualified individual" means an individual who:
6 (1) is a resident of Indiana;
7 (2) has served in the armed forces of the United States; and
8 (3) has a service connected disability, as evidenced by:
9 (A) records of the United States Department of Veterans
10 Affairs; or
11 (B) disability retirement benefits awarded to the individual
12 under laws administered by the United States Department of
13 Defense.
14 (b) A qualified individual is entitled to reduced fee hunting and
15 fishing licenses under this section.
16 (c) Each year a qualified individual may obtain:
17 (1) both:
18 (A) a resident yearly license to fish; and
19 (B) a resident yearly license to hunt; or

1 (2) a resident yearly license to hunt and fish;
 2 by paying a reduced license fee of two dollars and seventy-five cents
 3 (\$2.75) instead of the fee prescribed by section 1 of this chapter.

4 **(d) Each decade a qualified individual may obtain:**

5 **(1) both:**

6 **(A) a resident license to fish that is valid for ten (10) years;**

7 **and**

8 **(B) a resident license to hunt that is valid for ten (10)**

9 **years; or**

10 **(2) a resident license to hunt and fish that is valid for ten (10)**

11 **years;**

12 **by paying a reduced license fee of twenty-seven dollars and fifty**
 13 **cents (\$27.50).**

14 ~~(d)~~ **(e)** An applicant for a reduced fee license under this section
 15 must do the following:

16 (1) Request the license from:

17 (A) the department;

18 (B) an agent appointed by the director under IC 14-22-11-3; or

19 (C) the clerk of the circuit court who is an authorized
 20 representative of the department under IC 14-22-11-3 in the
 21 county in which the individual resides.

22 (2) Present evidence that the applicant is a qualified individual.

23 SECTION 21. IC 14-22-13-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.165-2011,
 24 SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 25 JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 2. (a) This section applies to the Ohio River
 26 waters of Indiana.

27 (b) The department may issue to an individual who is a resident **or**
 28 **nonresident** of Indiana a license to use in, and to possess for use in, the
 29 water seines, nets, or other commercial fishing gear under rules
 30 adopted under IC 4-22-2 upon payment of the following fee:

31 (1) For an Ohio River commercial fishing license and ten (10)
 32 Ohio River commercial gear tags, one hundred twenty-five dollars
 33 (\$125).

34 (2) For each block of ten (10) Ohio River commercial fishing gear
 35 tags, fifteen dollars (\$15).

36 SECTION 22. IC 14-22-13-2.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.165-2011,
 37 SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 38 JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 2.5. (a) This section applies to the harvest or sale

1 of the following roe bearing species:

2 (1) Shovelnose sturgeon.

3 (2) Paddlefish.

4 (3) Bowfin.

5 (b) For the purpose of this subsection, "roe" means the eggs or
6 gametes of a fish listed in subsection (a).

7 (c) An individual may not harvest, possess, or sell roe without a
8 license issued under this section.

9 (d) The department may issue to an individual who is a resident **or**
10 **nonresident** of Indiana a license to harvest, possess, and sell the roe
11 under rules adopted under IC 4-22-2. The individual must leave the roe
12 intact and inside the body of the fish ~~until sold to a licensed roe dealer.~~
13 **while on the body of water or adjacent to the water being fished,**
14 **and until processing begins in accordance with 21 CFR 123.** The
15 individual must sell the roe only to a roe dealer licensed by the
16 department. The department shall limit the number of licenses that are
17 available.

18 (e) The department may issue a person a roe dealer's license to
19 purchase, ~~and~~ process, **and sell** roe. A person may not transport roe
20 outside Indiana except according to the terms of a license issued under
21 this subsection.

22 (f) The following are the minimum application fees for these
23 licenses:

24 (1) **Resident and nonresident** roe harvester's ~~license,~~ **license for**
25 **harvesting on the Ohio River,** one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

26 (2) **Resident roe harvester's license for harvesting on inland**
27 **water of Indiana, one thousand dollars (\$1,000).**

28 ~~(2)~~ (3) Roe dealer's license, five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

29 (g) The commission may set license fees above the minimum fees
30 established under subsection (f). The amount may not be more than is
31 reasonably necessary to generate revenue sufficient to offset the costs
32 incurred by the department in carrying out its responsibilities under this
33 chapter.

34 **(h) The department shall give priority in issuing licenses under**
35 **this section to applicants who are residents of Indiana."**

36 Page 12, delete lines 1 through 28.

37 Page 14, delete lines 8 through 34.

38 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1279 as printed January 27, 2012.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

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Chairperson