

House Bill 1362

By: Representatives Parrish of the 102nd, Hanner of the 133rd, Oliver of the 121st, Post 2, Morris of the 120th, Barnard of the 121st, Post 1, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 27-2-3.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 archery and primitive weapons hunting licenses, all weapons hunting licenses, sportsman's
3 licenses, license card carrier requirements, and lifetime sportsman's licenses, so as to change
4 certain provisions relating to lifetime sportsman's licenses; to provide for lifetime
5 sportsman's licenses for certain nonresidents; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
6 purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 27-2-3.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to archery and
10 primitive weapons hunting licenses, all weapons hunting licenses, sportsman's licenses,
11 license card carrier requirements, and lifetime sportsman's licenses, is amended by striking
12 subsections (e), (f), and (g) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

13 "(e) The requirements in this title for procuring any license, stamp, or permit for
14 noncommercial hunting and fishing privileges shall be satisfied by a resident or nonresident
15 who procures a lifetime sportsman's license. An applicant for such license who is a resident
16 shall, prior to the issuance of the license, provide satisfactory evidence of residency. An
17 applicant for such license who is a nonresident shall not be eligible for issuance of such
18 license unless he or she is the child or grandchild of a resident who holds a valid lifetime
19 sportsman's license. The resident parent or grandparent who holds a lifetime sportsman's
20 license and who is the sponsor of a nonresident applicant for a lifetime sportsman's license
21 must certify the nonresident applicant's relationship to him or her in writing to the
22 department. For purposes of procuring a lifetime sportsman's license, the term 'residency'
23 means a domicile within Georgia for a minimum of 12 consecutive months immediately
24 prior to procuring such license. Satisfactory evidence of residency shall consist of a current
25 Georgia driver's license or official Georgia identification card issued by the Department
26 of Motor Vehicle Safety and at least one of the following:

- 1 (1) A voter registration card;
 2 (2) A copy of the prior year's Georgia income tax return;
 3 (3) A current Georgia automobile registration; or
 4 (4) A warranty deed to property at the same address as is displayed on the Georgia
 5 driver's license.

6 Minors under 18 years of age shall be presumed to be residents upon proof of parent's
 7 residency as provided for in this Code section. For purposes of procuring the Type I
 8 (Infant) lifetime license, a certified copy of the birth certificate of the licensee shall be
 9 required.

10 (f)(1) Lifetime sportsman's licenses and fees for residents shall be as follows:

11 ~~(1)~~(A) Type I (Infant), available only to those individuals under two years of age:
 12 \$200.00;

13 ~~(2)~~(B) Type Y (Youth), available only to those individuals from two through 15 years
 14 of age: \$350.00;

15 ~~(3)~~(C) Type A (Adult), available to those individuals 16 years of age or older: \$500.00;
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17 ~~(4)~~(D) Type S (Senior), available to those individuals 65 years of age or older: no
 18 charge.

19 (2) Lifetime sportsman's licenses for nonresidents shall be of the same types as those for
 20 residents, and the fee for any lifetime sportsman's license for a nonresident shall be twice
 21 the amount of the fee for the equivalent type of lifetime sportsman's license for a
 22 resident.

23 (g) Lifetime sportsman's licenses shall be valid for the lifetime of the purchaser, whether
 24 resident or nonresident. Change of residency to another state shall not affect the validity
 25 of the lifetime license when hunting or fishing in Georgia."

26 **SECTION 2.**

27 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.