

Senate Bill 382

By: Senators Heath of the 31st and Tolleson of the 20th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to hunting, trapping, or fishing, so as to change certain provisions relating to game
3 and fish license, permit, tag, and stamp fees; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting
4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1A.**

7 Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
8 hunting, trapping, or fishing, is amended by revising Code Section 27-2-23, relating to game
9 and fish license, permit, tag, and stamp fees, as follows:

10 "27-2-23.

11 Fees for licenses, permits, tags, and stamps required by this title shall be as follows:

12 (1) Hunting licenses:

13	(A) Resident hunting license	Annual	\$ 10.00
14	(B) Nonresident hunting license	Annual	75.00
15	(C) Nonresident three-day hunting license	Three-day	30.00
16	(D) Resident one-day <u>three-day</u> hunting	One-day <u>Three-</u>	5.50
17	license	<u>day</u>	
18	(D.1) Nonresident one-day hunting license	One-day	12.00
19	(E) Resident big game license	Annual	9.00
20	(F) Nonresident big game license	Annual	135.00
21	(F.1) Nonresident three-day big game license	Three-day	50.00
22	(G) Nonresident shooting preserve		
23	hunting license	Season	12.00
24	(H) Commercial fox hunting preserve license	Season	60.00
25	(I) Commercial fox breeder license	Season	60.00

1	(J) Waterfowl license valid for residents		
2	and nonresidents	Annual	5.50
3	(K) Georgia migratory bird license	Annual	Free
4	(L) Resident primitive weapons license	Annual	8.00
5	(M) Nonresident primitive weapons license	Annual	25.00
6	(2) Resident hunting/fishing license	Annual	17.00
7	(3) Resident sportsman's license	Annual	60.00
8	(4) Recreational fishing licenses:		
9	(A) Resident fishing license	Annual	9.00
10	(B) Nonresident fishing license	Annual	24.00
11	(C) Nonresident <u>three-day</u> fishing license	Seven-day <u>Three-day</u>	7.00
12	(D) Fishing license, valid for residents		
13	and nonresidents <u>Resident three-day fishing</u>	One-day <u>Three-</u>	3.50
14	<u>license</u>	<u>day</u>	
15	(E) Resident trout license	Annual	5.00
16	(F) Nonresident trout license	Annual	13.00
17	(5) Trapping licenses:		
18	(A) Resident commercial trapping license	Annual	30.00
19	(B) Nonresident commercial trapping license	Annual	295.00
20	(6) Commercial fishing licenses:		
21	(A) Resident commercial fishing license	Season	12.00
22	(B) Nonresident commercial fishing license	Season	118.00
23	(C) Resident commercial crabbing license	Season	12.00
24	(D) Nonresident commercial crabbing license	Season	118.00
25	(7) Fur, hide, and pelt licenses:		
26	(A) Resident fur dealer license	Annual	295.00
27	(B) Nonresident fur dealer license	Annual	415.00
28	(C) Fur dealer's agent license	Annual	180.00
29	(8) Miscellaneous licenses and permits:		
30	(A) Retail fish dealer license	Annual	10.00
31	(B) Wholesale fish dealer license	Annual	59.00
32	(C) Resident game-holding permit	Annual	5.00
33	(D) Commercial quail breeder permit	Annual	30.00
34	(E) Scientific collecting permit	Annual	50.00

1	(F) Wildlife exhibition permit	Annual	59.00
2	(G) Commercial shooting preserve license	Annual	150.00
3	(H) Private shooting preserve license	Annual	75.00
4	(I) Blanket commercial shooting preserve		
5	license	Annual	500.00
6	(J) Commercial fish hatchery license	Annual	59.00
7	(K) Catch-out pond license	Annual	236.00
8	(L) Soft-shell crab dealer license	Annual	10.00
9	(M) Resident taxidermist license	Three-year	150.00
10	(N) Nonresident taxidermist license	Three-year	500.00
11	(O) Falconry permit	Three-year	30.00
12	(P) Commercial alligator farming license	Annual	50.00
13	(Q) Alligator hunting license	Annual	50.00
14	(R) Wild animal license	Annual	236.00
15	(S) Wild animal auction license	Seven-day	5,000.00
16	(T) Resident bait dealer license	Season	25.00
17	(U) Nonresident bait dealer license	Season	150.00

18 (9) The board is authorized to provide by rule for a fee not to exceed \$19.00 for resident
 19 daily, seasonal, or annual use permits, licenses, or stamps to hunt and fish on or otherwise
 20 use specially designated streams, lakes, or wildlife management areas or a fee not to
 21 exceed \$73.00 for nonresident permits, licenses, or stamps issued under this paragraph.
 22 (10) Any resident or nonresident who purchases any hunting, fishing, hunting/fishing,
 23 or sportsman license, or any combination thereof, within 30 days prior to the expiration
 24 date of such license or combination of licenses held by him or her shall receive a \$2.75
 25 reduction of the combined fee for all annual licenses purchased in a single transaction
 26 during such period."

27 **SECTION 1B.**

28 Said article is further amended by revising said Code section as follows:

29 "27-2-23.

30 Fees for licenses, permits, tags, and stamps required by this title shall be as follows:

31 (1) Hunting licenses:

32	(A) Resident hunting license	Annual	\$ 8.50
33	(B) Nonresident hunting license	Annual	75.00
34	(C) Nonresident three-day hunting license	Three-day	30.00

1	(D) Resident one-day <u>three-day</u> hunting	One-day <u>Three-</u>	5.50
2	license	<u>day</u>	
3	(D.1) Nonresident one-day hunting license	One-day	12.00
4	(E) Resident big game license	Annual	7.50
5	(F) Nonresident big game license	Annual	135.00
6	(F.1) Nonresident three-day big game license	Three-day	50.00
7	(G) Nonresident shooting preserve		
8	hunting license	Season	10.00
9	(H) Commercial fox hunting preserve license	Season	50.00
10	(I) Commercial fox breeder license	Season	50.00
11	(J) Waterfowl license valid for residents		
12	and nonresidents	Annual	5.50
13	(K) Georgia migratory bird license	Annual	Free
14	(L) Resident primitive weapons license	Annual	8.00
15	(M) Nonresident primitive weapons license	Annual	25.00
16	(2) Resident hunting/fishing license	Annual	15.50
17	(3) Resident sportsman's license	Annual	60.00
18	(4) Recreational fishing licenses:		
19	(A) Resident fishing license	Annual	7.50
20	(B) Nonresident fishing license	Annual	20.00
21	(C) Nonresident <u>three-day</u> fishing license	Seven-day	7.00
22	(D) Fishing license, valid for residents		
23	and nonresidents <u>Resident three-day fishing</u>	One-day <u>Three-</u>	3.50
24	<u>license</u>	<u>day</u>	
25	(E) Resident trout license	Annual	3.50
26	(F) Nonresident trout license	Annual	10.50
27	(5) Trapping licenses:		
28	(A) Resident commercial trapping license	Annual	25.00
29	(B) Nonresident commercial trapping license	Annual	250.00
30	(6) Commercial fishing licenses:		
31	(A) Resident commercial fishing license	Season	10.00
32	(B) Nonresident commercial fishing license	Season	100.25
33	(C) Resident commercial crabbing license	Season	12.00
34	(D) Nonresident commercial crabbing license	Season	118.00

1	(7) Fur, hide, and pelt licenses:		
2	(A) Resident fur dealer license	Annual	250.00
3	(B) Nonresident fur dealer license	Annual	350.00
4	(C) Fur dealer's agent license	Annual	150.00
5	(8) Miscellaneous licenses and permits:		
6	(A) Retail fish dealer license	Annual	5.00
7	(B) Wholesale fish dealer license	Annual	50.00
8	(C) Resident game-holding permit	Annual	2.50
9	(D) Commercial quail breeder permit	Annual	25.00
10	(E) Scientific collecting permit	Annual	5.00
11	(F) Wildlife exhibition permit	Annual	50.00
12	(G) Commercial shooting preserve license	Annual	25.00
13	(H) Private shooting preserve license	Annual	10.00
14	(I) Blanket commercial shooting preserve		
15	license	Annual	500.00
16	(J) Commercial fish hatchery license	Annual	50.00
17	(K) Catch-out pond license	Annual	200.00
18	(L) Soft-shell crab dealer license	Annual	10.00
19	(M) Resident taxidermist license	Three-year	150.00
20	(N) Nonresident taxidermist license	Three-year	500.00
21	(O) Falconry permit	Three-year	30.00
22	(P) Commercial alligator farming license	Annual	25.00
23	(Q) Alligator hunting license	Annual	50.00
24	(R) Wild animal license	Annual	200.00
25	(S) Wild animal auction license	Seven-day	5,000.00
26	(T) Resident bait dealer license	Season	25.00
27	(U) Nonresident bait dealer license	Season	150.00
28	(9) The board is authorized to provide by rule for a fee not to exceed \$15.60 for resident		
29	daily, seasonal, or annual use permits, licenses, or stamps to hunt and fish on or otherwise		
30	use specially designated streams, lakes, or wildlife management areas or a fee not to		
31	exceed \$61.25 for nonresident permits, licenses, or stamps issued under this paragraph.		
32	<u>(10) Any resident or nonresident who purchases any hunting, fishing, hunting/fishing,</u>		
33	<u>or sportsman license, or any combination thereof, within 30 days prior to the expiration</u>		
34	<u>date of such license or combination of licenses held by him or her shall receive a \$2.50</u>		

1 reduction of the combined fee for all annual licenses purchased in a single transaction
2 during such period."

3 **SECTION 2.**

4 (a) This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2008, except as otherwise provided by
5 subsection (b) of this section.

6 (b) Section 1B of this Act shall become effective on March 31, 2012.

7 **SECTION 3.**

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