

Regular Session, 2010

SENATE BILL NO. 629

BY SENATOR MCPHERSON

WILDLIFE/FISHERIES DEPT. Removes reciprocity provision allowing nonresident full-time students to purchase hunting and fishing licenses at resident rates. (8/15/10)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:104(A)(9) and 302.1(H), relative to nonresident hunting and  
3 fishing licenses; to remove reciprocity provisions regarding the purchase of hunting  
4 and fishing licenses; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:104(A)(9) and 302.1(H) are hereby amended and reenacted to  
7 read as follows:

8 §104. License fees; reciprocity; exceptions

9 A. No license shall be issued under this Part unless there has been previously  
10 paid a fee or fees as hereinafter set forth:

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12 (9) Any person who is not a resident of the state of Louisiana but who is a  
13 full-time student enrolled in an accredited college or university that has a physical  
14 campus in the state of Louisiana may purchase a nonresident basic hunting license  
15 for the cost of a resident hunting license as provided in Paragraph (1) of this  
16 Subsection. Any licenses or permits which may be required in addition to the basic  
17 hunting license, such as a big game license or a duck license or a turkey license, may

1 also be purchased for the cost of the equivalent resident license or permit. ~~The~~  
2 ~~provisions of this Paragraph shall apply only to those students who are residents of~~  
3 ~~a state that provides to Louisiana residents who are full-time students attending an~~  
4 ~~accredited college or university in that state the same option to purchase a license at~~  
5 ~~a resident fee.~~ In order to purchase a license under the provisions of this Paragraph,  
6 the person shall provide to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries verification of  
7 his full-time status. Such verification may be provided through the mail. Any person  
8 hunting under a license issued pursuant to this Paragraph shall also have on his  
9 person his student identification card which indicates current full-time status.

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11 §302.1. Annual license; temporary license; fees; saltwater fee; exemptions

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13 H. Any person who is not a resident of the state of Louisiana but who is a  
14 full-time student enrolled in an accredited college or university that has a physical  
15 campus in the state of Louisiana may purchase a nonresident basic fishing license for  
16 the cost of a resident fishing license as provided in this Section. In addition, a  
17 saltwater fishing license may also be purchased for the cost of a resident saltwater  
18 license. ~~The provisions of this Subsection shall apply only to those students who are~~  
19 ~~residents of a state that provides to Louisiana residents who are full-time students~~  
20 ~~attending an accredited college or university in that state the same option to purchase~~  
21 ~~a license at a resident fee.~~ In order to purchase a license under the provisions of this  
22 Subsection, the person shall provide to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
23 verification of his full-time status. Such verification may be provided through the  
24 mail. Any person fishing under a license issued pursuant to this Subsection shall also  
25 have on his person his student identification card which indicates current full-time  
26 status.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michelle Broussard-Johnson.

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DIGEST

Present law allows a nonresident full-time student enrolled in an accredited college or university in Louisiana to purchase a hunting and fishing license at a resident rate. Further provides that those students must be residents of a state that provides Louisiana residents who are full-time students attending an accredited college or university the same option to purchase a license at a resident rate.

Proposed law retains present law but removes the reciprocity provision that other states must offer Louisiana students attending an out-of-state college or university the option to purchase a hunting and fishing license at resident rates.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Amends R.S. 56:104(A)(9) and 302.1(H))