

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: WD 04/20/2009

The Committee on General Government Appropriations (Oelrich) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1337 and 1338 insert:

Section 35. Effective July 1, 2010, paragraphs (h), (i), and (j) of subsection (4) and subsections (8), (11), and (12) of section 379.354 are amended to read:

379.354 Recreational licenses, permits, and authorization numbers; fees established.-

(4) RESIDENT HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES.—The licenses and fees for residents participating in hunting and fishing

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activities in this state are as follows:

- (h) Annual sportsman's license, \$79, except that an annual sportsman's license for a resident 64 years of age or older is \$12. A sportsman's license authorizes the person to whom it is issued to take game and freshwater fish, subject to the state and federal laws, rules, and regulations, including rules of the commission, in effect at the time of the taking. Other authorized activities include activities authorized by a management area permit, a muzzle-loading gun season permit, a crossbow season permit, a turkey permit, a Florida waterfowl permit, a deer permit, and an archery season permit.
- (i) Annual gold sportsman's license, \$98.50. The gold sportsman's license authorizes the person to whom it is issued to take freshwater fish, saltwater fish, and game, subject to the state and federal laws, rules, and regulations, including rules of the commission, in effect at the time of taking. Other authorized activities include activities authorized by a management area permit, a muzzle-loading gun season permit, a crossbow season permit, a turkey permit, a Florida waterfowl permit, an archery season permit, a snook permit, a deer permit, and a spiny lobster permit.
- (j) Annual military gold sportsman's license, \$18.50. The gold sportsman's license authorizes the person to whom it is issued to take freshwater fish, saltwater fish, and game, subject to the state and federal laws, rules, and regulations, including rules of the commission, in effect at the time of taking. Other authorized activities include activities authorized by a management area permit, a muzzle-loading qun season permit, a crossbow season permit, a turkey permit, a

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Florida waterfowl permit, an archery season permit, a snook permit, a deer permit, and a spiny lobster permit. Any resident who is an active or retired member of the United States Armed Forces, the United States Armed Forces Reserve, the National Guard, the United States Coast Guard, or the United States Coast Guard Reserve is eligible to purchase the military gold sportsman's license upon submission of a current military identification card.

- (8) SPECIFIED HUNTING, FISHING, AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY PERMITS. - In order to assure that the cultural heritage of hunting and sport fishing, recognized in s. 379.104, is passed on to future Floridians, the commission shall use up to 10% of the proceeds from the below-stated hunting and sport fishingrelated permits to promote hunting and sport fishing activities, with an emphasis on youth participation. In addition to any license required under this chapter, the following permits and fees for specified hunting, fishing, and other recreational uses and activities are required:
- (a) An annual Florida waterfowl permit for a resident or nonresident to take wild ducks or geese within the state or its coastal waters is \$5 \(\frac{43}{5} \). Revenue generated from the sale of waterfowl permits or that pro rata portion of any license that includes waterfowl hunting privileges provided for in this section shall be used for conservation, research, or management of waterfowl; for the development, restoration, maintenance, and preservation of wetlands within the state; or for promoting the hunting heritage.
- (b) 1. An annual Florida turkey permit for a resident to take wild turkeys within the state is \$ 10 \$5. Revenue generated

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from the sale of resident wild turkey permits or that pro rata portion of any license that includes turkey hunting privileges provided for in this section shall be used for the conservation, research, or management of wild turkeys or promoting the hunting heritage.

- 2. An annual Florida turkey permit for a nonresident to take wild turkeys within the state is \$125 \$100. Revenue generated from the sale of non-resident wild turkey permits or that pro rata portion of any license that includes turkey hunting privileges provided for in this section shall be used for the conservation, research, or management of wild turkeys or promoting the hunting heritage.
- (c) The commission shall prepare an annual report documenting the use of funds generated under the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b), to be submitted to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate on or before September 1 of each year.
- (d) (c) An annual snook permit for a resident or nonresident to take or possess any snook from any waters of the state is \$10 \$2. Revenue generated from the sale of snook permits shall be used exclusively for programs to benefit the snook population.
- (e) (d) An annual spiny lobster permit for a resident or nonresident to take or possess any spiny lobster for recreational purposes from any waters of the state is \$5 \frac{\$2}{.} Revenue generated from the sale of spiny lobster permits shall be used exclusively for programs to benefit the spiny lobster population.
- (f) An annual deer permit for a resident or nonresident to take deer within the state during any season authorized by the

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commission is \$5. Revenue generated from the sale of deer permits shall be used for the conservation, research, or management of white-tailed deer or promoting the hunting heritage.

(g) (e) A \$5 fee is imposed for each of the following permits:

- 1. An annual archery season permit for a resident or nonresident to hunt within the state during any archery season authorized by the commission.
- 2. An annual crossbow season permit for a resident or nonresident to hunt within the state during any crossbow season authorized by the commission.
- 3. An annual muzzle-loading gun season permit for a resident or nonresident to hunt within the state during any muzzle-loading gun season authorized by the commission.
- (h) (f) A special use permit for a resident or nonresident to participate in limited entry hunting or fishing activities as authorized by commission rule shall not exceed \$150 \$100 per day or \$300 \$250 per week. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, there are no exclusions, exceptions, or exemptions from this permit fee. In addition to the permit fee, the commission may charge each special use permit applicant a nonrefundable application fee not to exceed \$10.
- (i) (g)1. A management area permit for a resident or nonresident to hunt on, fish on, or otherwise use for outdoor recreational purposes land owned, leased, or managed by the commission, or by the state for the use and benefit of the commission, shall not exceed \$30 \$25 per year.
 - 2. A management area permit for a resident or non-resident

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to hike, camp or otherwise engage in other outdoor recreational activities, excepting hunting or fishing, on management area lands shall not exceed \$5 per day or \$30 per year.

3.2. Permit fees for short-term use of land that is owned, leased, or managed by the commission may be established by rule of the commission for activities on such lands. Such permits may be in lieu of, or in addition to, the annual management area permit authorized in subparagraphs 1 and 2 subparagraph 1.

4.3. Other than for hunting or fishing, the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply on any lands not owned by the commission, unless the commission has obtained the written consent of the owner or primary custodian of such lands.

(j) (h) 1. A recreational user permit is required to hunt on, fish on, or otherwise use for outdoor recreational purposes land leased by the commission from private nongovernmental owners, except for those lands located directly north of the Apalachicola National Forest, east of the Ochlocknee River until the point the river meets the dam forming Lake Talquin, and south of the closest federal highway. The fee for a recreational user permit shall be based upon the economic compensation desired by the landowner, game population levels, desired hunter density, and administrative costs. The permit fee shall be set by commission rule on a per-acre basis. The recreational user permit fee, less administrative costs of up to \$30 \$25 per permit, shall be remitted to the landowner as provided in the lease agreement for each area.

2. One minor dependent under 16 years of age may hunt under the supervision of the permittee and is exempt from the recreational user permit requirements. The spouse and dependent

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children of a permittee are exempt from the recreational user permit requirements when engaged in outdoor recreational activities other than hunting and when accompanied by a permittee. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, no other exclusions, exceptions, or exemptions from the recreational user permit fee are authorized.

- (11) RESIDENT LIFETIME HUNTING LICENSES.-
- (a) Lifetime hunting licenses are available to residents only, as follows, for:
 - 1. Persons 4 years of age or younger, for a fee of \$ 200.
- 2. Persons 5 years of age or older, but under 13 years of age, for a fee of \$ 350.
 - 3. Persons 13 years of age or older, for a fee of \$ 500.
- (b) The following activities are authorized by the purchase of a lifetime hunting license:
- 1. Taking, or attempting to take or possess, game consistent with the state and federal laws and regulations and rules of the commission in effect at the time of the taking.
- 2. All activities authorized by a muzzle-loading gun season permit, a crossbow season permit, a turkey permit, an archery season permit, a Florida waterfowl permit, a deer permit, and a management area permit, excluding fishing.
 - (12) RESIDENT LIFETIME SPORTSMAN'S LICENSES.-
- (a) Lifetime sportsman's licenses are available to residents only, as follows, for:
 - 1. Persons 4 years of age or younger, for a fee of \$ 400.
- 2. Persons 5 years of age or older, but under 13 years of age, for a fee of \$ 700.
 - 3. Persons 13 years of age or older, for a fee of \$ 1,000.



- (b) The following activities are authorized by the purchase of a lifetime sportsman's license:
- 1. Taking, or attempting to take or possess, freshwater and saltwater fish, and game, consistent with the state and federal laws and regulations and rules of the commission in effect at the time of taking.
- 2. All activities authorized by a management area permit, a muzzle-loading gun season permit, a crossbow season permit, a turkey permit, an archery season permit, a Florida waterfowl permit, a snook permit, a deer permit, and a spiny lobster permit.

Section 36. Effective July 1, 2010, section 379.2211, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 37. Effective July 1, 2010, section 379.2212, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

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203 ======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= 204 And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 152

206 and insert:

> Health Care Administration; amending s. 379.354, F.S.; increasing hunting and fishing permit fees; creating a deer permit; creating an outdoor recreational permit on wildlife management areas controlled by Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission; repealing s. 379.2211, F.S.; providing for use of funds for the Florida waterfowl permit program; repealing s. 379.2212, F.S.; providing for use of funds for the Florida wild turkey permit program; amending s. 379.3671,