

No. 1981-38

AN ACT

SB 343

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," further providing for the issuance of antlerless deer licenses to disabled veterans and making certain editorial changes.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The first paragraph of subsection (c) of section 501, act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), known as "The Game Law," amended June 27, 1973 (P.L.83, No.36), is amended to read:

Section 501. Open Seasons.—* * *

(c) Resident, Nonresident, and Alien Hunters' Licenses and Tags for Antlerless Deer.—If in any year the commission, by resolution, declares an open season for antlerless deer, it shall issue resident, nonresident and alien hunters' licenses and tags for antlerless deer to hunt for or kill such deer, at a fee of **[two dollars thirty-five cents for the hunting license year beginning September 1, 1973 and]** three dollars thirty-five cents **[for the hunting license years beginning September 1, 1974 and thereafter]** under such rules and regulations governing the issuance of such licenses and tags as it may deem necessary to limit the number of persons who may hunt for such deer in any county of the Commonwealth, provided public notice of such action is given as hereinafter required: And provided, however, That no applications, for antlerless deer licenses received from nonresidents and aliens shall be approved or licenses issued in advance of thirty days prior to the opening date of such antlerless deer season. Such licenses and tags shall be issued without restriction or regard to the county residence of the Pennsylvania applicant *and* may be issued only to holders of resident, nonresident, or alien hunting licenses, and such licenses and tags shall not be transferable from one person to another *nor* shall they be refunded or reissued to anyone. Notwithstanding the provisions of any regulation limiting the number of licenses and tags, the commission shall issue resident hunters' licenses and tags for antlerless deer *without effecting any quota established by the commission for a particular county:* (1) to members of Armed Forces who are residents of Pennsylvania and who are on full time active duty[, or]; (2) to residents who were honorably discharged from the Armed Forces within sixty days of the date of the application upon substantial proof of their military status; *and* (3) to disabled veterans as defined in section 302 upon submission of the information required by section 302.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 24th day of June, A. D. 1981.

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