

No. 1993-23

AN ACT

HB 887

Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the qualifications for and the issuance of junior hunting or furtaker licenses.

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

Section 1. Sections 2704(a), 2705 and 2711(a)(6) of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

§ 2704. Eligibility for license.

(a) General rule.—Persons meeting the requirements of this title who **[are 12 years of age or] have reached or will reach their 12th birthday in the calendar year of application or who are** older, whose hunting and furtaking privileges are valid and who shall meet the application requirements set forth in this title and pay the prescribed license cost and issuance fee shall be eligible to obtain the applicable hunting or furtaking license.

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§ 2705. Classes of licenses.

Unless otherwise provided, any person wishing to exercise any of the privileges granted by this title shall first secure the applicable resident or nonresident hunting or furtaker license as follows:

(1) Adult resident hunting licenses to residents who have reached their 17th birthday but have not reached their 65th birthday.

(2) Junior resident hunting licenses to residents who have reached *or will reach* their 12th birthday *in the calendar year of application for a license* but who have not reached their 17th birthday prior to the date of the application for the license and who present a written request, bearing the signature of a parent or guardian, for the issuance of a license. *The actual hunting privileges granted to the holder of a junior license shall not be exercised until that person in fact is 12 years of age.*

(3) Senior resident hunting licenses or, at the option of the applicant, a senior lifetime resident hunting license to residents who have reached or will reach their 65th birthday in the year of the application for the license. The commission shall develop, implement and administer a system to provide tags, report cards and applications to those residents who hold a senior lifetime resident hunting license issued under this paragraph. The system shall require the applicant or license holder to pay any approved fee assessed by the issuing agent.

(4) Adult resident furtaker licenses to residents who have reached their 17th birthday but have not reached their 65th birthday.

(5) Junior resident furtaker licenses to residents who have reached *or will reach* their 12th birthday *in the calendar year of application for a license* but who have not reached their 17th birthday prior to the date of the application for the license and who present a written request, containing the signature of a parent or guardian, for the issuance of a license. *The actual furtaking privileges granted to the holder of a junior license shall not be exercised until that person in fact is 12 years of age.*

(6) Senior resident furtaker licenses or, at the option of the applicant, a senior lifetime resident furtaker license to residents who have reached or will reach their 65th birthday in the year of the application for the license.

(7) (Reserved).

(8) Adult nonresident hunting licenses to all nonresidents of 17 years of age or older.

(9) Junior nonresident hunting licenses to all nonresidents who have reached *or will reach* their 12th birthday *in the calendar year of application for a license* but who have not reached their 17th birthday prior to the date of the application for the license and who present a written request, bearing the signature of a parent or guardian, for the issuance of a license. *The actual hunting privileges granted to the holder of a junior license shall not be exercised until that person in fact is 12 years of age.*

(10) Adult nonresident furtaker licenses to nonresidents of 17 years of age or older.

(11) Junior nonresident furtaker licenses to nonresidents who have reached *or will reach* their 12th birthday *in the calendar year of application for a license* but who have not reached their 17th birthday prior to the date of the application for the license and who present a written request, containing the signature of a parent or guardian, for the issuance of a license. *The actual furtaking privileges granted to the holder of a junior license shall not be exercised until that person in fact is 12 years of age.*

(12) Seven-day nonresident small game license to persons eligible to procure a nonresident hunting license. The license shall be valid for a period of seven consecutive days. The holder of the license shall be entitled to hunt for, take or kill crows and small game.

(13) Antlerless deer licenses, bear licenses, archery licenses, muzzleloader licenses and any other license required to insure just and proper administration of this title and sound game or wildlife conservation to eligible persons, subject to the regulations, requirements and conditions which the commission shall establish. Any such license shall be made available to residents serving on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or in the United States Coast Guard without regard to quota limitations or application deadlines.

§ 2711. Unlawful acts concerning licenses.

(a) General rule.—Except as otherwise provided in this title, it is unlawful

for any person to:

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(6) [Receive] *Except as provided under section 2705 (relating to classes of licenses), receive* a hunting or furtaking license under any circumstances if under 12 years of age.

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Section 2. This act shall apply to the license year beginning July 1, 1993, and to each license year thereafter.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of June, A.D. 1993.

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