



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires the Chief of the Division of Wildlife to issue free fishing licenses, hunting licenses, fur taker permits, deer and wild turkey permits, and wetlands habitat stamps to Ohio residents who are honorably discharged veterans.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill requires the Chief of the Division of Wildlife to provide by rule that an Ohio resident who received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Armed Forces be issued a free fishing license, hunting license, fur taker permit, deer or wild turkey permit, or wetlands habitat stamp or any combination of those licenses, permits, and stamps. Such a license, permit, or stamp must be issued on an annual, multi-year, or lifetime basis as determined appropriate by the Chief in the manner prescribed by and on forms provided by the Chief.

Current law instead requires the Chief's rules to provide that an Ohio resident who received such an honorable discharge be issued such a license, permit, stamp, or combination free of charge, in the manner described above, only if that person meets one of the following additional qualifications:

(1) Has a disability that has been determined by the Veterans Administration to be permanently and totally disabling and receives a pension or compensation from the Veterans Administration, or has been issued a set of disabled veterans license plates by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles;¹ or

¹ R.C. 1533.12(B)(1).

(2) Has been a prisoner of war.²

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	02-12-13

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² R.C. 1533.12(B)(5).

