

SB0342



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Introduced 2/15/2005, by Sen. John M. Sullivan

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

520 ILCS 5/3.2

from Ch. 61, par. 3.2

Amends the Wildlife Code. Allows members of the armed forces of the United States while on active duty assigned to a military facility in Illinois to obtain a resident hunting license and for waiver of the FOID card requirement. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning hunting.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Wildlife Code is amended by changing Section
5 3.2 as follows:

6 (520 ILCS 5/3.2) (from Ch. 61, par. 3.2)

7 Sec. 3.2. Hunting license; application; instruction.
8 Before the Department or any county, city, village, township,
9 incorporated town clerk or his duly designated agent or any
10 other person authorized or designated by the Department to
11 issue hunting licenses shall issue a hunting license to any
12 person, the person shall file his application with the
13 Department or other party authorized to issue licenses on a
14 form provided by the Department and further give definite proof
15 of identity and place of legal residence. Each clerk
16 designating agents to issue licenses and stamps shall furnish
17 the Department, within 10 days following the appointment, the
18 names and mailing addresses of the agents. Each clerk or his
19 duly designated agent shall be authorized to sell licenses and
20 stamps only within the territorial area for which he was
21 elected or appointed. No duly designated agent is authorized to
22 furnish licenses or stamps for issuance by any other business
23 establishment. Each application shall be executed and sworn to
24 and shall set forth the name and description of the applicant
25 and place of residence.

26 No hunting license shall be issued to any person born on or
27 after January 1, 1980 unless he presents the person authorized
28 to issue the license evidence that he has held a hunting
29 license issued by the State of Illinois or another state in a
30 prior year, or a certificate of competency as provided in this
31 Section. Persons under 16 years of age may be issued a Lifetime
32 Hunting or Sportsmen's Combination License as provided under

1 Section 20-45 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code but shall not
2 be entitled to hunt unless they have a certificate of
3 competency as provided in this Section and they shall have the
4 certificate in their possession while hunting.

5 The Department of Natural Resources shall authorize
6 personnel of the Department or certified volunteer instructors
7 to conduct courses, of not less than 10 hours in length, in
8 firearms and hunter safety, which may include training in bow
9 and arrow safety, at regularly specified intervals throughout
10 the State. Persons successfully completing the course shall
11 receive a certificate of competency. The Department of Natural
12 Resources may further cooperate with any reputable association
13 or organization in establishing courses if the organization has
14 as one of its objectives the promotion of safety in the
15 handling of firearms or bow and arrow.

16 The Department of Natural Resources shall designate any
17 person found by it to be competent to give instruction in the
18 handling of firearms, hunter safety, and bow and arrow. The
19 persons so appointed shall give the course of instruction and
20 upon the successful completion shall issue to the person
21 instructed a certificate of competency in the safe handling of
22 firearms, hunter safety, and bow and arrow. No charge shall be
23 made for any course of instruction except for materials or
24 ammunition consumed. The Department of Natural Resources shall
25 furnish information on the requirements of hunter safety
26 education programs to be distributed free of charge to
27 applicants for hunting licenses by the persons appointed and
28 authorized to issue licenses. Funds for the conducting of
29 firearms and hunter safety courses shall be taken from the fee
30 charged for the Firearm Owners Identification Card.

31 The fee for a hunting license to hunt all species for a
32 resident of Illinois is \$7. For residents age 65 or older, the
33 fee is one-half of the fee charged for a hunting license to
34 hunt all species for a resident of Illinois. Nonresidents shall
35 be charged \$50 for a hunting license.

36 Nonresidents may be issued a nonresident hunting license

1 for a period not to exceed 10 consecutive days' hunting in the
2 State and shall be charged a fee of \$28.

3 A special nonresident hunting license authorizing a
4 nonresident to take game birds by hunting on a game breeding
5 and hunting preserve area only, established under Section 3.27,
6 shall be issued upon proper application being made and payment
7 of a fee equal to that for a resident hunting license. The
8 expiration date of this license shall be on the same date each
9 year that game breeding and hunting preserve area licenses
10 expire.

11 Each applicant for a State Migratory Waterfowl Stamp,
12 regardless of his residence or other condition, shall pay a fee
13 of \$10 and shall receive a stamp. Except as provided under
14 Section 20-45 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code, the stamp
15 shall be signed by the person or affixed to his license or
16 permit in a space designated by the Department for that
17 purpose.

18 Each applicant for a State Habitat Stamp, regardless of his
19 residence or other condition, shall pay a fee of \$5 and shall
20 receive a stamp. Except as provided under Section 20-45 of the
21 Fish and Aquatic Life Code, the stamp shall be signed by the
22 person or affixed to his license or permit in a space
23 designated by the Department for that purpose.

24 Nothing in this Section shall be construed as to require
25 the purchase of more than one State Habitat Stamp by any person
26 in any one license year.

27 The Department shall furnish the holders of hunting
28 licenses and stamps with an insignia as evidence of possession
29 of license, or license and stamp, as the Department may
30 consider advisable. The insignia shall be exhibited and used as
31 the Department may order.

32 All other hunting licenses and all State stamps shall
33 expire upon March 31 of each year.

34 Every person holding any license, permit, or stamp issued
35 under the provisions of this Act shall have it in his
36 possession for immediate presentation for inspection to the

1 officers and authorized employees of the Department, any
2 sheriff, deputy sheriff, or any other peace officer making a
3 demand for it. This provision shall not apply to Department
4 owned or managed sites where it is required that all hunters
5 deposit their license, permit, or Firearm Owner's
6 Identification Card at the check station upon entering the
7 hunting areas.

8 Members of the armed forces of the United States while on
9 active duty assigned to a military facility within Illinois are
10 entitled to obtain a resident hunting license and the
11 requirement for the possession or issuance of a Firearm Owner's
12 Identification Card shall be waived.

13 (Source: P.A. 93-554, eff. 8-20-03.)

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
15 becoming law.