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For An Act To Be Entitled

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18 AN ACT TO PROVIDE LIFETIME HUNTING LICENSES AND
19 FISHING LICENSES TO CERTAIN DISABLED VETERANS; AND
20 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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24 TO PROVIDE LIFETIME HUNTING LICENSES AND
25 FISHING LICENSES TO CERTAIN DISABLED
26 VETERANS.
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30 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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32 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 15, Chapter 42, Subchapter 1, is
33 amended to add a new section to read as follows:

34 15-42-128. Lifetime hunting licenses and fishing licenses for resident
35 disabled veterans.

36 (a) The General Assembly finds and determines that:



1 (1) The regulation of hunting and fishing, and the issuance of
2 hunting licenses and fishing licenses, in the state is a primary
3 responsibility of the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission under Arkansas
4 Constitution, Amendment 35;

5 (2) Disabled veterans of Arkansas deserve to be recognized and
6 honored for their service and sacrifice in honorably serving the nation and
7 this state;

8 (3) The establishment and issuance of lifetime hunting licenses
9 and lifetime fishing licenses in this state is a small way to recognize and
10 honor the service of disabled veterans in this state; and

11 (4) It is the purpose and intent of this section to authorize
12 and encourage the commission to establish and issue lifetime hunting licenses
13 and lifetime fishing licenses for eligible disabled veterans in this state.

14 (b) The commission may establish for issuance lifetime hunting and
15 lifetime fishing licenses for eligible disabled veterans in this state.

16 (c) As used in this section, "disabled veteran" means a veteran who is
17 a resident of the state and has either:

18 (1) Been determined by the United States Department of Veterans
19 Affairs to be a one hundred percent (100%) totally and permanently disabled
20 service-connected veteran; or

21 (2) Been determined by the department to be a permanently
22 disabled service-connected veteran who is the recipient of the Purple Heart
23 medal as a result of his or her service-connected disability.

24 (d) A disabled veteran may obtain a lifetime license to hunt or a
25 lifetime license to fish under this section by:

26 (1) Applying to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission;

27 (2) Furnishing information required by the commission to verify
28 eligibility; and

29 (3) Payment of the following fees:

30 (A) One dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for a lifetime
31 hunting license; and

32 (B) One dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for a lifetime
33 fishing license.

34 (e) A lifetime license to hunt or a lifetime license to fish issued
35 under this section shall:

36 (1) Be in the same form and contain the same information as

1 other hunting licenses or fishing licenses issued by the commission;

2 (2) Contain any other information required by the commission;

3 and

4 (3) Be plainly stamped either:

5 (A) "DISABLED VETERAN"; or

6 (B) "DISABLED VETERAN – PURPLE HEART".

7 (f) The commission may promulgate such rules and regulations as
8 necessary to carry out the intent of this section.

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