



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6654

January Session, 2013



AN ACT CONCERNING SPORTSMEN RELATED REVISIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of
2 Energy and Environmental Protection may, upon application and
3 payment of a fee of fifty dollars for in-state guides and one hundred
4 dollars for out-of-state guides, register any person to conduct hunting
5 or fishing guide services. The commissioner may adopt regulations, in
6 accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, concerning the
7 administration of and requirements for such guide services.

8 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 26-27 of the general statutes is
9 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
10 *passage*):

11 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), (c), (e), (f), (g) or (h) of this
12 section and other provisions of this chapter providing specific license
13 exemption, no person shall take, hunt or trap, or shall attempt to take,
14 hunt or trap, or assist in taking, hunting or trapping, any wild bird or
15 mammal and no person [more than] sixteen years of age or older shall
16 take, attempt to take, or assist in taking any fish or bait species in the
17 inland waters or marine district by any method or land marine fish
18 and bait species in the state, regardless of where such marine fish or

19 bait species are taken, without first having obtained a license as
20 provided in this chapter. No person under sixteen years of age shall
21 hunt or trap, except as provided in section 26-38.

22 Sec. 3. Section 26-28 of the general statutes is repealed and the
23 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

24 (a) Except as provided in subsections (b), [and] (c) and (d) of this
25 section, the fees for firearms hunting, archery hunting, trapping and
26 sport fishing licenses or for the combination thereof shall be as follows:
27 (1) Resident firearms hunting license, nineteen dollars; (2) resident
28 fishing license, twenty-eight dollars; (3) resident marine waters fishing
29 license, ten dollars; (4) one-day resident marine waters fishing license,
30 five dollars; (5) resident all-waters fishing license, thirty-two dollars;
31 (6) resident combination license to fish in inland waters and firearms
32 hunt, thirty-eight dollars; (7) resident combination license to fish in
33 marine waters and firearms hunt, twenty-five dollars; (8) resident
34 combination license to fish in all waters and firearms hunt, [thirty-
35 eight] forty dollars; (9) resident combination license to fish in all waters
36 and bow and arrow permit to hunt deer and small game issued
37 pursuant to section 26-86c, sixty-five dollars; (10) resident firearms
38 super sport license to fish in all waters and firearms hunt, firearms
39 private land shotgun or rifle deer permit issued pursuant to section 26-
40 86a, and permit to hunt wild turkey during the spring season on
41 private land issued pursuant to section 26-48a, [eighty] seventy dollars;
42 (11) resident archery super sport license to fish in all waters, bow and
43 arrow permit to hunt deer and small game issued pursuant to section
44 26-86c and permit to hunt wild turkey during the spring season on
45 private land issued pursuant to section 26-48a, eighty-two dollars; (12)
46 resident firearms super sport license to fish in all waters and firearms
47 hunt, firearms private land shotgun or rifle deer permit, muzzleloader
48 private land deer permit, pursuant to section 26-86 and private land
49 permit to hunt wild turkey during spring season pursuant to section
50 26-48a, eighty-four dollars; (13) resident firearms super sport license to
51 fish in all waters and firearms hunt, migratory bird conservation

52 stamp, and migratory bird harvest permit (HIP), [sixty] fifty dollars;
53 (14) resident trapping license, thirty-four dollars; (15) resident junior
54 trapping license for persons under sixteen years of age, eleven dollars;
55 (16) junior firearms hunting license, eleven dollars; (17) nonresident
56 firearms hunting license, ninety-one dollars; (18) nonresident inland
57 waters fishing license, fifty-five dollars; (19) nonresident inland waters
58 fishing license for a period of three consecutive days, twenty-two
59 dollars; (20) nonresident marine waters fishing license, fifteen dollars;
60 (21) nonresident marine waters fishing license for a period of three
61 consecutive days, eight dollars; (22) nonresident all-waters fishing
62 license, sixty-three dollars; (23) nonresident combination license to
63 firearms hunt and inland waters fish, one hundred ten dollars; (24)
64 nonresident combination license to fish in all waters and firearms hunt,
65 one hundred twenty dollars; (25) nonresident combination license to
66 fish in marine waters and firearms hunt, ninety-four dollars; and (26)
67 nonresident trapping license, two hundred fifty dollars. Persons sixty-
68 five years of age and over who have been residents of this state for not
69 less than one year and who meet the requirements of subsection (b) of
70 section 26-31 may be issued an annual license to firearms hunt or to
71 fish or combination license to fish and firearms hunt or a license to trap
72 without fee. The issuing agency shall indicate on a combination license
73 the specific purpose for which such license is issued. The town clerk
74 shall retain a recording fee of one dollar for each license issued by him
75 or her.

76 (b) Any nonresident residing in one of the New England states or
77 the state of New York may procure a license to hunt or to fish or to
78 hunt and fish for the same fee or fees as a resident of this state if he or
79 she is a resident of a state the laws of which allow the same privilege to
80 residents of this state.

81 (c) The fee for a group fishing license, as described in subsection (h)
82 of section 26-30, shall be two hundred fifty dollars.

83 (d) For the period beginning on January 1, 2014, and ending on
84 December 31, 2014, the fee charged pursuant to this section for any

85 firearms hunting, archery hunting, trapping or sport fishing license
 86 that is issued to any Connecticut resident who is sixteen or seventeen
 87 years of age shall be equal to fifty per cent of the fee provided for such
 88 license in subsection (a) of this section rounded to the next highest
 89 dollar.

90 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) For the period beginning on
 91 January 1, 2014, and ending on December 31, 2014, the fee charged
 92 pursuant to section 26-27b, 26-48a, 26-86a or 26-86c of the general
 93 statutes for any firearms hunting, archery hunting, trapping or sport
 94 fishing permit, tag or stamp that is issued to any Connecticut resident
 95 who is less than twenty-one years of age shall be fifty per cent of the
 96 fee provided under said sections rounded to the next highest dollar.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	26-27(a)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	26-28
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	New section

FIN *Joint Favorable Subst.*