

General Assembly

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LCO No. 1055



Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO ESTABLISH A TROUT STAMP.

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

- Section 1. Section 26-48a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2017*):
- 3 (a) The commissioner may establish, by regulations adopted in 4 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, standards for the 5 management of salmon, trout, migratory game birds in accordance 6 with section 26-92, pheasant and turkey which shall include provision 7 for the issuance of permits, tags or stamps. The commissioner may 8 charge a fee for a permit, tag or stamp as follows: Not more than nineteen dollars for turkey; not more than thirteen dollars for 10 migratory game birds; not more than twenty-eight dollars for 11 pheasant, not more than ten dollars for trout and not more than 12 twenty-eight dollars for salmon. No person shall be issued a permit, 13 tag or stamp for migratory birds, pheasant or turkey without first 14 obtaining a license to hunt and no person shall be issued a permit, tag

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- or stamp for salmon or trout without first obtaining a license to fish.
- 16 Notwithstanding any provision of any regulation to the contrary, the
- 17 commissioner may charge a fee of nineteen dollars for the issuance of a
- 18 permit to hunt wild turkey on state-owned or private land during the
- 19 fall season.
- 20 (b) Such permits, tags or stamps shall be issued to qualified 21 applicants by any town clerk. Application for such permits, tags or 22 stamps shall be on such form and require of the applicant such 23 information as the commissioner may prescribe. The commissioner 24 may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 25 authorizing a town clerk to retain part of any fee paid for a permit, tag 26 or stamp issued by such town clerk pursuant to this section, provided 27 the amount retained shall not be less than fifty cents.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2017	26-48a

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection to establish a trout stamp.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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