

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2202

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MAYHEW.

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 252, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to permits for hunting and fishing.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 252, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 252.252, to read as follows:

- 252.252. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:**
- (1) "Disabled veteran", an individual who:**
 - (a) Is a resident of this state;**
 - (b) Has been separated under honorable conditions from active service in:**
 - a. Any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States;**
 - b. Any reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States;**
 - c. The National Guard of this state as defined in 32 U.S.C. Section 101, as amended; or**
 - d. Any defense force of this state as described in 32 U.S.C. Section 109, as amended; and**
 - (c) Has been certified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor agency to be in receipt of disability compensation at the one-hundred-percent rate as a result of a service-connected disability claim allowed by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, with such disability being permanent and sustained through military action or accident or resulting from disease contracted while in such active service;**
 - (2) "Eligible dependent", an individual who is:**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

- 18 (a) The spouse of an individual who is military personnel or a disabled veteran;
19 or
20 (b) A minor who is the dependent of military personnel or a disabled veteran;
21 (3) "Military personnel", an individual in active military service in:
22 (a) Any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States;
23 (b) Any reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States;
24 (c) The National Guard of any state as defined in 32 U.S.C. Section 101, as
25 amended; or
26 (d) Any defense force of this state as described in 32 U.S.C. Section 109, as
27 amended.
- 28 2. The conservation commission shall:
- 29 (1) Issue free of charge any hunting permit or fishing permit required by state
30 law or state rules or regulations to military personnel, a disabled veteran, and an eligible
31 dependent;
- 32 (2) Waive all fees required for Missouri hunter education certification or its
33 successor program for military personnel, a disabled veteran, or an eligible dependent;
- 34 (3) Issue free of charge a combined lifetime hunting and fishing permit to
35 military personnel or a disabled veteran, or an individual who is the surviving spouse of
36 such military personnel or disabled veteran, who has been awarded a Purple Heart
37 under Section 1129 of Title 10 of the United States Code, as amended; and
- 38 (4) Issue free of charge any deer hunting permit that is valid for the youth
39 portions of the deer seasons to an eligible dependent who is a minor and whose age
40 qualifies such individual for a youth deer hunting permit.
- 41 3. The conservation commission shall require an individual seeking a permit or a
42 waiver of fees under this section to establish such individual's identity and eligibility for
43 a permit or waiver of fees under this section at the time such individual applies for such
44 permit or waiver of fees.

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