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HOUSE BILL No. 5334

February 1, 2012, Introduced by Reps. LeBlanc, Meadows, Roy Schmidt, Dillon and Walsh and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," by amending section 44103 (MCL 324.44103), as added by 1995 PA 57, and by adding section 44102a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 44102A. (1) BEGINNING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
- 2 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION, CERTAIN LIFETIME HUNTING OR
- 3 FISHING LICENSES MAY BE PURCHASED BY A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE AS
- 4 PROVIDED IN THIS PART, FOR THE FOLLOWING FEES:
- 5 (A) THE FEE FOR A LIFETIME SMALL GAME LICENSE, EQUIVALENT TO
 - THE LICENSE AVAILABLE ANNUALLY UNDER SECTION 43523, IS \$220.00.
 - (B) THE FEE FOR A LIFETIME FIREARM DEER LICENSE, EQUIVALENT TO
- 8 THE LICENSE AVAILABLE ANNUALLY TO TAKE 1 DEER IN A SEASON UNDER
- 9 SECTION 43526, IS \$285.00.

- 1 (C) THE FEE FOR A LIFETIME BOW AND ARROW DEER LICENSE,
- 2 EQUIVALENT TO THE LICENSE AVAILABLE ANNUALLY TO TAKE 1 DEER IN A
- 3 SEASON UNDER SECTION 43527, IS \$285.00.
- 4 (D) THE FEE FOR A COMPREHENSIVE LIFETIME HUNTING AND FISHING
- 5 LICENSE IS \$1,025.00 AND SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 6 (i) RESIDENT SMALL GAME LICENSE.
- 7 (ii) RESIDENT FIREARM DEER LICENSE.
- 8 (iii) RESIDENT BOW AND ARROW DEER LICENSE.
- 9 (iv) RESIDENT ALL-SPECIES FISHING LICENSE.
- 10 (v) RESIDENT BEAR HUNTING LICENSE.
- 11 (vi) WATERFOWL HUNTING LICENSE.
- 12 (vii) RESIDENT FUR HARVESTER'S LICENSE.
- 13 (E) THE FEE FOR A LIFETIME FISHING LICENSE, EQUIVALENT TO THE
- 14 RESIDENT RESTRICTED FISHING LICENSE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 43532, IS
- 15 \$220.00.
- 16 (F) THE FEE FOR A LIFETIME ALL-SPECIES FISHING LICENSE,
- 17 EQUIVALENT TO THE ANNUAL ALL-SPECIES FISHING LICENSE ISSUED UNDER
- 18 SECTION 43532, IS \$220.00.
- 19 (2) A LIFETIME LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL ALLOW
- 20 THE HOLDER OF THAT LICENSE, THROUGHOUT HIS OR HER LIFETIME, THE
- 21 SAME PRIVILEGES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND DUTIES AS WOULD THE
- 22 EQUIVALENT ANNUAL LICENSE OR STAMP ISSUED UNDER PART 435. HOWEVER,
- 23 A LIFETIME LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS PART DOES NOT GUARANTEE THE
- 24 HOLDER OF THAT LICENSE THE RIGHT TO TAKE GAME EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE
- 25 WITH HARVEST REGULATIONS AND LICENSE AND PERMIT CONDITIONS
- 26 ESTABLISHED FOR THAT SPECIES BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 27 (3) A LIFETIME LICENSE ISSUED TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A

- 1 RESIDENT OF THIS STATE AT THE TIME THE LICENSE IS PURCHASED
- 2 CONTINUES TO BE VALID EVEN IF THE HOLDER OF THAT LICENSE BECOMES A
- 3 NONRESIDENT.
- 4 Sec. 44103. (1) A resident of this state may purchase a
- 5 lifetime license by submitting a completed application accompanied
- 6 by the fee required in section 44102 to a person authorized by the
- 7 department to sell lifetime licenses between March 1, 1989 and
- 8 February 28, 1990. A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE MAY PURCHASE A LIFETIME
- 9 LICENSE BY SUBMITTING A COMPLETED APPLICATION ACCOMPANIED BY THE
- 10 FEE REQUIRED IN SECTION 44102A TO A PERSON AUTHORIZED BY THE
- 11 DEPARTMENT TO SELL LIFETIME LICENSES BEGINNING THE EFFECTIVE DATE
- 12 OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED SECTION 44102A. The application
- 13 shall provide information required by the department including:
- 14 (a) The name of the applicant.
- 15 (b) The age of the applicant.
- 16 (c) The height, weight, and eye color of the applicant.
- 17 (d) The address of the applicant.
- 18 (e) If the applicant has a driver license, the driver license
- 19 number of the applicant.
- (f) The social security number of the applicant.
- 21 (2) The holder of a lifetime license shall notify the
- 22 department if he or she has a name or address change.
- 23 (3) A person AN INDIVIDUAL may purchase a lifetime license for
- 24 another person INDIVIDUAL, and upon receipt of full payment, the
- 25 department shall issue a certificate entitling the designated
- 26 person-INDIVIDUAL to apply for a license as provided for in this
- 27 part. If a lifetime license is purchased and a certificate issued

- 1 in the name of a minor child who is under the lawful age to utilize
- 2 the license, the completed application shall be submitted at a
- 3 district or regional office of the department when the child is of
- 4 lawful age to utilize the license. The holder of a certificate is
- 5 not eligible to hunt or fish pursuant to UNDER the lifetime license
- 6 until he or she completes the application process and receives a
- 7 license from the department.
- **8** (4) Upon receipt of the completed application from the person
- 9 authorized to sell lifetime licenses and receipt of the fee, the
- 10 department shall review the application and mail the lifetime
- 11 license to the applicant within 7 days. However, if the department
- 12 determines that the applicant is not eligible for the equivalent
- 13 license or stamp under part 435, the department shall return the
- 14 fee to the applicant, minus the amount retained by the person
- 15 authorized by the department to sell lifetime licenses, with
- 16 notification of the denial of the application for a lifetime
- 17 license.
- 18 (5) A person authorized by the department to sell lifetime
- 19 licenses may retain the following amount:
- 20 (a) Six dollars from each lifetime fishing license, small game
- 21 license, and trout and salmon license.
- (b) Eight dollars from each lifetime firearm and bow and arrow
- 23 deer license.
- 24 (c) Fifteen dollars from each lifetime sportsperson license
- 25 and each comprehensive lifetime hunting and fishing license.
- 26 (6) A person authorized to sell lifetime licenses shall,
- 27 before the twenty-fifth day of each month, tender to the department

- 1 the money received from the fifteenth day of the preceding month to
- 2 the fifteenth day of the month in which payment is tendered for the
- 3 lifetime licenses sold during that period, along with any other
- 4 relevant information required by the department.
- 5 (7) A person authorized to sell lifetime licenses, before
- 6 March 31, 1990, shall file with the department a complete report of
- 7 all lifetime licenses sold between March 1, 1989 and February 28,
- 8 1990. All information required in subsection (1), unsold lifetime
- 9 licenses, and remaining money, not previously sent to the
- 10 department, shall be returned to the department.A PERSON AUTHORIZED
- 11 TO SELL LIFETIME LICENSES SHALL FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT A COMPLETE
- 12 REPORT OF ALL LIFETIME LICENSES SOLD DURING EACH YEAR.
- 13 (8) If a license issued under this part is lost, damaged, or
- 14 destroyed, the licensee may apply to the department for a
- 15 replacement lifetime license by filing an affidavit and meeting the
- 16 requirements of this part for procuring a lifetime license.
- 17 However, the fee for a lifetime license shall be waived if the
- 18 licensee presents the department with the damaged license or the
- 19 facts presented regarding the destruction or loss of the lifetime
- 20 license are verified by a police report or other verification
- 21 approved by the department. The department or a conservation
- 22 officer may require the holder of a lifetime license to obtain a
- 23 replacement license from the department if the license is mutilated
- 24 or illegible.
- 25 (9) The department shall forward the proceeds of the sale of
- 26 lifetime licenses to the state treasurer.