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NATURAL RESOURCES

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for a free lifetime hunting and fishing combined
2 license for persons who are honorably discharged veterans.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 483A.24, subsection 13, Code 2003, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 ~~13. Upon payment of the fee of thirty dollars for a~~
4 ~~lifetime hunting and fishing combined license, the department~~
5 The commission shall issue without charge a special lifetime
6 hunting and fishing combined license to a resident of Iowa who
7 is a veteran, as defined in section 35.1, who was disabled or
8 was a prisoner of war during that veteran's military service.
9 The department shall prepare an application to be used by a
10 person requesting a hunting and fishing combined license under
11 this subsection. The commission of veterans affairs shall
12 assist the department in verifying the status or claims of
13 applicants under this subsection. ~~As used in this subsection,~~
14 ~~"disabled" means entitled to compensation under the United~~
15 ~~States Code, Title 38, ch. 11.~~

16 EXPLANATION

17 This bill provides that the natural resource commission
18 shall issue a free special lifetime hunting and fishing
19 combined license to a resident of Iowa who is a veteran, as
20 defined in Code section 35.1. Code section 35.1 defines a
21 veteran as a resident of this state who served in the armed
22 forces of the United States at any time during certain
23 specified dates and who was discharged under honorable
24 conditions. Code section 35.1 also provides that a veteran
25 includes certain persons who served in the reserve forces of
26 the United States and the Iowa national guard as well as other
27 specified entities.

28 Currently, such a special lifetime hunting and fishing
29 combined license is available only to a veteran who was
30 disabled or was a prisoner of war during the veteran's
31 military service, for a fee of \$30.

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