

House Study Bill 67

SENATE/HOUSE FILE \_\_\_\_\_
BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES BILL)

Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_ Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to fishing by establishing fees, allocating
2 fishing license revenue to fish habitat development, modifying
3 trout fishing fee requirements, and providing effective and
4 applicability dates.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 483A.1, subsection 1, paragraphs a, l,
1 2 and s, Code 2003, are amended to read as follows:
1 3 a. Fishing license..... \$ 10.50
1 4 17.00
1 5 1. Fishing license, seven=day..... \$ 8.50
1 6 11.50
1 7 s. Fish habitat fee Fishing license, one=day..... \$ 3.00
1 8 7.50
1 9 Sec. 2. Section 483A.1, subsection 2, paragraphs a, b, and
1 10 s, Code 2003, are amended to read as follows:
1 11 a. Fishing license, annual..... \$ 36.00
1 12 39.00
1 13 b. Fishing license, seven=day..... \$ 27.00
1 14 30.00
1 15 s. Fish habitat fee Fishing license, three=day..... \$ 3.00
1 16 15.50
1 17 Sec. 3. Section 483A.1, subsection 2, Code 2003, is
1 18 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
1 19 NEW PARAGRAPH. t. Fishing license, one=day..... \$ 8.50
1 20 Sec. 4. Section 483A.3A, Code 2003, is amended by striking
1 21 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
1 22 483A.3A FISH HABITAT DEVELOPMENT FUNDING.
1 23 Three dollars from each resident and nonresident annual and
1 24 seven=day fishing license sold shall be deposited in the state
1 25 fish and game protection fund and shall be used within this
1 26 state for fish habitat development. Not less than fifty
1 27 percent of this amount shall be used by the commission to
1 28 enter into agreements with county conservation boards to carry
1 29 out the purposes of this section.
1 30 Sec. 5. Section 483A.6, Code 2003, is amended to read as
1 31 follows:
1 32 483A.6 TROUT FISHING FEE.
1 33 Any person required to have a fishing license shall not
1 34 fish for or possess trout unless that person has paid the
1 35 trout fishing fee. The proceeds from the fee shall be used
2 1 exclusively for the trout program designated by the
2 2 commission. The commission may grant a permit to a community
2 3 event in which trout will be stocked in water which is not
2 4 designated trout water and a person may catch and possess
2 5 trout during the period and from the water covered by the
2 6 permit without having paid the trout fishing fee.
2 7 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY DATES. This Act
2 8 takes effect December 15, 2003, and applies to licenses and
2 9 fees for fishing and fish habitat activities for the years
2 10 beginning on or after January 1, 2004.
2 11 EXPLANATION
2 12 This bill raises the license fees for resident and
2 13 nonresident annual and seven=day fishing licenses. The bill
2 14 also adds new categories of one=day resident fishing licenses
2 15 and three=day and one=day nonresident fishing licenses.
2 16 The bill eliminates the separate \$3 fish habitat fee and
2 17 provides instead that \$3 from each resident and nonresident
2 18 annual and seven=day fishing license be used for fish habitat
2 19 development with no less than 50 percent of that amount used
2 20 by the commission to enter into agreements with county
2 21 conservation boards to develop fish habitat.

2 22 The bill also provides that a person who is required to  
2 23 have a fishing license shall not either fish for or possess  
2 24 trout without first paying the trout fishing fee and deletes  
2 25 language requiring all trout fishing fees to be used  
2 26 exclusively for the trout program. The bill also deletes  
2 27 language allowing the natural resource commission to grant  
2 28 permits to community events to stock trout in water which is  
2 29 not designated trout water and to allow a person to catch and  
2 30 possess trout during the event without paying a trout fishing  
2 31 fee.

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2 33 to licenses and fees for fishing and fish habitat activities  
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