

1 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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3 **Senate Bill No. 414**

4 (By Senators Laird and Miller)

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6 [Originating in the Committee on Natural Resources;
7 reported March 13, 2013.]
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12 A BILL to amend and reenact §20-2-32 of the Code of West Virginia,
13 1931, as amended, relating to issuing hunting and fishing
14 licenses; and clarifying who may be designated a license-
15 issuing authority.

16 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

17 That §20-2-32 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
18 be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

19 **ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.**

20 **§20-2-32. Issuance of licenses; duplicate licenses.**

21 (a) The director may designate the clerk of the county
22 ~~commission in each county and or~~ other persons, ~~designated by the~~
23 ~~director shall be~~ pursuant to section thirty-three of this article,
24 as license-issuing authorities ~~Each license-issuing authority shall~~
25 ~~issue~~ authorized to issue a license to ~~a license~~ an applicant if in

1 ~~the opinion of the authority,~~ the license applicant is legally
2 entitled to obtain the license ~~applied for~~ and pays the proper fee.

3 (b) ~~All~~ Materials and supplies ~~necessary~~ for the issuance of
4 licenses shall be furnished by the director to each ~~person~~
5 ~~authorized to issue licenses~~ license-issuing authority as needed.

6 (c) Each license shall bear a serial number and shall be
7 signed by the licensee. The ~~issuing~~ license-issuing authority
8 shall keep an accurate record ~~in the form and manner prescribed by~~
9 ~~the director,~~ of ~~all~~ licenses issued and ~~of all money~~ fees
10 collected ~~as license fees~~ as prescribed by the director.

11 (d) Any license-issuing authority may issue a duplicate
12 license to replace a lost, destroyed or damaged license upon
13 receipt of a verified application ~~duly~~ executed by the original
14 ~~license holder~~ licensee and ~~the payment to the issuing authority~~ of
15 a duplicate license fee of \$1.

(NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to update the law pertaining to the issuance of hunting and fishing licenses. It clarifies who are license issuing authorities.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.)