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House Bill 4456

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Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources
then Finance]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §20-2B-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
 2 to allowing a member of a volunteer fire department to purchase a resident lifetime license
 3 issued and administered by the Director of the Division of Natural Resources for 50
 4 percent of the applicable license fee.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2B. WILDLIFE ENDOWMENT FUND.

§20-2B-7. Lifetime hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses created.

1 (a) Pursuant to §20-2B-3 of this code, the director may issue the following lifetime hunting,
 2 fishing, and trapping licenses and for the lifetime of the licensee, the lifetime licenses serve in lieu
 3 of the equivalent annual license: Lifetime resident statewide hunting and trapping license; lifetime
 4 resident combination statewide hunting, fishing, and trapping license; lifetime statewide fishing
 5 license; and lifetime resident trout fishing license.

6 (b) The director shall propose a rule for legislative approval in accordance with §29A-3-1
 7 *et seq.* of this code, setting the fees for the lifetime licenses. The rule shall provide that the fee for
 8 any resident who has not reached his or her second birthday shall be one half of the adult fee set
 9 under the rule. The fees for lifetime licenses shall be 23 times the fee for the equivalent annual
 10 licenses or stamps.

11 (c) A member of a volunteer fire department may be issued any adult resident lifetime
 12 license issued and administered by the director for 50 percent of the applicable license fee
 13 amount. An individual application submitted pursuant to this subsection shall be accompanied by
 14 an affidavit signed by the applicant’s fire chief, stating that the applicant is a volunteer firefighter.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to allow a member of a volunteer fire department to purchase a resident lifetime license issued and administered by the Director of the Division of Natural Resources for 50 percent of the applicable license fee.

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