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Senate Bill 69

FISCAL NOTE

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to the Committee on Natural Resources; and then to the

Committee on Finance]

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
designated §20-2-63, relating to exempting certain persons from fees for hunting, fishing
and trapping licenses and permits; providing that fees for hunting, trapping and fishing
licenses and permits are waived for certain volunteer firefighters; including eligibility
requirements; requiring compliance with all other requirements to obtain license; and
granting rule-making authority.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.

§20-2-63. Waiver of fees for municipal volunteer firefighters applying for hunting, trapping and fishing licenses.

1 (a) For any person who serves as a municipal volunteer firefighter who would otherwise

2 be required to have a license or permit to hunt, fish or trap, the fee to obtain the license or permit

3 that would otherwise be required by the director by legislative rules issued pursuant to section

- 4 forty-two of this article is waived.
- 5 (b) To be eligible for this fee waiver, a person applying for a license or permit must submit
- 6 <u>an affidavit signed by the applicant's fire chief, stating that the applicant is a volunteer firefighter.</u>
- 7 (c) Any person seeking a fee waiver must provide all other information required by the
- 8 director for issuance of the license and must comply with all other provisions of law relating to the
- 9 applicable license or permit that is sought.
- 10 (d) The director may propose rules for legislative approval in accordance with the
- 11 provisions of §29A,3-1 et seq. of this code setting forth application and processing procedures.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to waive the fees for hunting, fishing and trapping licenses or permits for individuals who are currently serving as municipal volunteer firefighters.

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