

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2020 REGULAR SESSION**

### **ENROLLED**

## **House Bill 4381**

BY DELEGATES J. JEFFRIES, BIBBY, HANNA, HARDY,  
COOPER, FAST, STEELE, SUMMERS, SYPOLT, MAYNARD  
AND KESSINGER

[Passed February 17, 2020; in effect ninety days from passage.]



1 AN ACT to amend and reenact §20-2B-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating  
2 to lifetime hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses for adopted children; and providing for  
3 resident children who have been legally adopted and have not yet reached their 12th  
4 birthday to obtain their lifetime hunting, fishing, and trapping license for one half of the  
5 adult fee for a period of two years from the date of entry of the order or decree of adoption.

*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  
8 for any resident who has not reached his or her second birthday shall be one half of the adult fee  
9 set under the rule. The rule shall also provide that the fee for any resident who has not reached  
10 his or her 12th birthday and has been legally adopted, shall be provided with a period of two years  
11 from the date of entry of the order or decree of adoption to obtain his or her lifetime license at one  
12 half of the adult fee set under the rule. The fees for lifetime licenses shall be 23 times the fee for  
13 the equivalent annual licenses or stamps.



The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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*Chairman, House Committee*

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*Chairman, Senate Committee*

Originating in the House.

In effect ninety days from passage.

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*Clerk of the House of Delegates*

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*Clerk of the Senate*

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*Speaker of the House of Delegates*

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*President of the Senate*

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day of ....., 2020.

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*Governor*