

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 5323

By Delegates Foggin, Heckert, and Hott

[Introduced February 09, 2026; referred to the
Committee on Government Organization]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §20-2-42 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
 2 indexing of license and stamp fees; and continuing the authority to index license and stamp
 3 fees.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.

§20-2-42. ~~Effective date and indexing~~ Indexing of license and stamp fees.

1 The director may propose rules for legislative approval in accordance with §29A-3-1 *et*
 2 *seq.* of this code, changing any license or stamp fee set forth in this article or in §20-2B-1 *et seq.* of
 3 this code. All increases in license and stamp fees in this article or in §20-2B-1 *et seq.* of this code,
 4 set forth in rule, shall be computed in a manner that indexes the increases to the Consumer Price
 5 Index (All Items) published by the United States Department of Labor rounded down to the nearest
 6 dollar. ~~Provided, That no fee increase resulting from increases in the Consumer Price Index (All~~
 7 ~~Items) may be made after January 1, 2021~~

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to authorize the director of Natural Resources to propose legislative rules changing indexing of license and stamp fees.

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