

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2001 SESSION

CHAPTER 115

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 28.2-302.2 and 29.1-328 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the term of hunting, trapping and fishing licenses.

[H 2294]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 28.2-302.2 and 29.1-328 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 28.2-302.2. Recreational license fee; cooperative program.

A. The annual fee for the saltwater recreational fishing license shall be seven dollars and fifty cents. Agents of the Commission shall retain fifty cents as compensation for issuing each license.

B. All funds collected under this section shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the Virginia Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund, as established in § 28.2-302.3.

C. The Commission shall enter into cooperative programs with the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

D. The Commission shall also have the power necessary to conduct and establish cooperative fish projects with the federal government as prescribed by Congress and in compliance with rules and regulations promulgated by the United States Secretary of the Interior.

E. Upon implementation of an automated point-of-sale licensing system, licenses issued under this section shall be valid for one year from their date of purchase.

§ 29.1-328. Term of licenses and permits.

A. *Until the Department has implemented an automated point-of-sale licensing system, hunting and trapping licenses and permits, including those issued pursuant to § 29.1-302, shall be valid from July 1 of each year or their later date of purchase, to June 30 of the following year, unless sooner revoked. Upon implementation of such a system, hunting and trapping licenses and permits shall be valid for one year from their date of purchase.*

B. *Until the Department has implemented an automated point-of-sale licensing system, fishing licenses shall run and be valid from January 1 of each year or their later date of purchase to December 31 of same year, unless sooner revoked. Upon implementation of such a system, fishing licenses shall run and be valid for one year from their date of purchase.*

C. The terms of licenses listed in subsections A and B of this section shall not apply to the lifetime hunting and fishing license established in § 29.1-302.1.

D. National Forest Stamps, issued pursuant to § 29.1-408, shall be valid from January 1 of each year or their later date of purchase, to December 31 of the same year or from July 1 of each year or their later date of purchase, to June 30 of the following year, unless sooner revoked.