

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2004 SESSION

CHAPTER 269

An Act to amend and reenact §§ 29.1-303, 29.1-303.3, and 29.1-305 of the Code of Virginia, relating to establishment of a nonresident youth hunting license.

[H 133]

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 29.1-303, 29.1-303.3, and 29.1-305 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 29.1-303. Fees to hunt.

The license fees to hunt shall be as follows:

1. County or city resident license to hunt in the county or city of residence only, \$5.
2. State resident license to hunt in all counties and cities of the Commonwealth, issued to residents age 16 or older, \$12.
3. State nonresident license *for persons 16 years of age and older* to hunt in all counties and cities of the Commonwealth, \$80; *however, for (i) nonresidents under the age of 12, \$12, and (ii) nonresidents 12 years of age to 15 years of age, \$15.*

§ 29.1-303.3. Youth resident and nonresident combination hunting license established; fee.

There is hereby established a state youth resident combination hunting license, which may be obtained by any resident under the age of ~~sixteen~~ 16 to hunt in all counties and cities of the Commonwealth, and to hunt (i) bear, deer and turkey, (ii) with a bow and arrow during the special archery seasons, and (iii) with a muzzleloader during the special muzzleloading seasons. The fee for this license shall be ~~fifteen dollars~~ \$15. The license shall serve in lieu of the state junior resident hunting license, the special license for hunting bear, deer and turkey, the special archery license and the special muzzleloading license. *For a nonresident youth under the age of 16 the fee for such a license shall be \$30.*

§ 29.1-305. Special license for hunting bear, deer and turkey; authority of Board to create bear license.

A. A special license is required for hunting bear, deer and turkey in this Commonwealth, which shall be in addition to the license required to hunt other game. The fee for the special license shall be ~~twelve dollars~~ \$12 for a resident age ~~sixteen~~ 16 or ~~over~~ older, ~~seven dollars and fifty cents~~ \$7.50 for a resident under ~~the age sixteen~~ of 16, and ~~sixty dollars~~ \$60 for a nonresident *16 years of age or older, \$15 for a nonresident 12 years of age to 15 years of age, and \$12 for a nonresident younger than 12 years of age.*

B. The Board may create a separate special license for the hunting of bear in this Commonwealth. The fee for such a special license shall be ~~twenty-five dollars~~ \$25 for residents and \$150 for nonresidents. A person who obtains a special license for hunting bear shall also be required to obtain the state resident license or state nonresident license pursuant to § 29.1-303. If a special license to hunt bear is established by the Board, the special license required in subsection A shall authorize the hunting of deer and turkey only.

The license to hunt bear, deer and turkey or, if authorized by the Board, the license to hunt bear may be obtained from the clerk or agent of any county or city whose duty it is to sell hunting licenses.