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HOUSE BILL NO. 719

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 29.1-302 of the Code of Virginia, relating to special license for disabled veterans to hunt and fish.

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Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 29.1-302 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 29.1-302. Special license for certain resident disabled veterans.

Any resident veteran who has a ~~permanent and total service-connected disability~~ *is totally and permanently disabled due to a service-connected disability* as certified by the ~~Veterans' Administration,~~ *U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs* may apply for and ~~receive purchase~~ *purchase* from the Department a nontransferable *discounted* license pursuant to 4 VAC 15-20-65, valid for life, permitting the veteran to hunt and *freshwater* fish, *or to hunt only or to freshwater fish only, depending on which license is purchased,* on any property in the Commonwealth according to restrictions and regulations of law. However, this license shall not entitle the owner to fish in designated waters stocked with trout by the Department or other public body. The Board may subsequently revise the cost of the fee pursuant to § 29.1-103.

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