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HOUSE BILL NO. 2096

Offered January 10, 2001 Prefiled January 10, 2001

A BILL to amend and reenact § 29.1-305 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the special bear, deer and turkey license.

Patrons—Abbitt, Phillips and Shuler

Referred to Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 29.1-305 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 29.1-305. Special license for hunting bear, deer and turkey; authority of Board to create deer 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 for a resident age sixteen or over, seven dollars and fifty cents for a resident under age sixteen and sixty dollars for a nonresident.

B. The Board may create a separate special license for the hunting of bear in this Commonwealth. The fee shall for such a special license shall be twenty-five dollars 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.