## BILL AS PASSED BY THE HOUSE 2017

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2	Introduced by Representatives Shaw of Pittsford, Bancroft of Westford, Beck
3	of St. Johnsbury, Beyor of Highgate, Bissonnette of Winooski,
4	Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Corcoran of
5	Bennington, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City,
6	Gage of Rutland City, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell,
7	Howard of Rutland City, Hubert of Milton, Juskiewicz of
8	Cambridge, LaClair of Barre Town, Lawrence of Lyndon,
9	Lefebvre of Newark, Lewis of Berlin, Martel of Waterford,
10	McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Morrissey of
11	Bennington, Pearce of Richford, Potter of Clarendon, Quimby
12	of Concord, Smith of Derby, Smith of New Haven, Sullivan of
13	Dorset, Tate of Mendon, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Viens of
14	Newport City, Walz of Barre City, and Wright of Burlington
15	Referred to Committee on
16	Date:
17	Subject: Fish and wildlife; hunting; fishing; licenses; no-cost license
18	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to lower from
19	70 years of age to 65 years of age the age at which a person may receive
20	certain hunting or fishing licenses at no cost.

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	An act relating to awarding hunting and fishing licenses at no cost to persons 65 years of age or older <i>permanent licenses for persons 66 years of</i>
	age or older
1	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
2	Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. & 4255(c) is amended to read:
3	(c) A permanent or free license may be secured on application to the
4	Department by a person qualifying as follows:
5	(1) A Vermont resident $70 \underline{65}$ years of age or older may receive one or
6	all of the following licenses at no cost:
7	(A) a permanent nahing license;
8	(B) if the person qualifies for a hunting license, a combination
9	fishing and hunting license, which shan include all big game licenses, except
10	for a moose license;
11	(C) if the person qualifies for a trapping license, a trapping
12	license; and
13	(D) if the person qualifies for an archery license, an archery license.
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15	Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE
16	This act shall take effect on passage.
	Sec. 1 10 V.S.A. § 4255(c) is amended to read:
	(c) A permanent or free license may be secured on application to the
	Department by a person qualifying as follows:
	(1) A Vermont resident $\frac{70}{66}$ years of age or older may receive one or

all of the following licenses at no cost for \$60.00:

(A) a permanent fishing license;

(B) if the person qualifies for a hunting license, a <u>permanent</u> combination fishing and hunting license, which shall include all big game licenses, except for a moose license;

*(C) if the person qualifies for a trapping license, a <u>permanent</u> trapping license; and* 

*(D) if the person qualifies for an archery license, an <u>a permanent</u> archery license.* 

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Sec. 2 FEFECTIVE DATE IMPLEMENTATION

This act shall take effect on passage, provided that the Commissioner of

Fish and Wildlife shall not start collecting license jees for licenses issued

under 10 v.S.A. § 4255(c)(1) unui July 1, 2017.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on January 1, 2018.