

1 Sec. X. 10 V.S.A. § 4255(c) is amended to read:

2 (7) A certified citizen of a Native American Indian tribe that has been  
3 recognized by the State pursuant to 1 V.S.A. chapter 23 may receive ~~a free~~  
4 ~~permanent fishing license or, if the person qualifies for a hunting license, a free~~  
5 ~~permanent combination hunting and fishing license~~ one or all of the permanent  
6 fishing, hunting, or trapping licenses set forth in subdivisions 4255(c)(1)(A)-  
7 (D) of this title if qualified for the license and upon submission of a current and  
8 valid tribal identification card.

9 Sec. Y. DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE REPORT; LICENSES

10 On or before January 15, 2024, the Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife shall  
11 report to the House Committees on Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife and  
12 on Ways and Means and the Senate Committees on Natural Resources and  
13 Energy and on Finance the number of fishing, hunting, and trapping licenses  
14 issued by the Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife to a certified citizen of a  
15 Native American Indian tribe pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 4255(c)(7).

16 Sec. Z. EFFECTIVE DATES

17 Sec. X (fishing, hunting, and trapping licenses) and Y (Department of Fish  
18 and Wildlife report) shall take effect on passage.