

1 S.288

2 Introduced by Senator Brennan

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Fish and wildlife; licenses; license fees; nonresident student

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to provide that a
7 nonresident full-time student who is otherwise qualified and who is enrolled in
8 public or independent school in grades nine through 12, in a postsecondary
9 education institution, or in a postgraduate program located within the State
10 shall be entitled to purchase a fishing, hunting, or combination hunting and
11 fishing license at the same cost as a resident upon presentation of a student
12 identification card or other document from a school that affirms the student's
13 status.

14 An act relating to hunting or fishing license fees for nonresident students
15 enrolled in Vermont schools

16 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

17 Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. § 4255 is amended to read:

18 § 4255. LICENSE FEES

19 (a) Vermont residents may apply for licenses on forms provided by the
20 Commissioner. Fees for each license shall be:

1	(1) Fishing license	\$28.00
2	(2) Hunting license	\$28.00
3	(3) Combination hunting and fishing license	\$47.00
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5	(6) Hunting license for persons 17 years of age or under	\$8.00
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7	(8) Fishing license for persons 15 through 17 years of age	\$8.00
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9	(b) Nonresidents may apply for licenses on forms provided by the	
10	Commissioner. Fees for each license shall be:	
11	(1) Fishing license	\$54.00
12	(2) One-day fishing license	\$21.00
13	(3) [Repealed.]	
14	(4) Hunting license	\$102.00
15	(5) Combination hunting and fishing license	\$143.00
16	* * *	
17	(9) Hunting licenses license for persons 17 years of age or under	\$25.00
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19	(13) Fishing license for persons 15 through 17 years of age	\$15.00
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4 (d)(1) A nonresident full-time student who is otherwise qualified and who
5 is enrolled in a program of secondary education or public or independent
6 school in grades nine through 12, in a college or university postsecondary
7 education institution, or in a postgraduate program located within the State at
8 which he or she has successfully completed two successive semesters shall be
9 entitled to purchase a ~~resident~~ fishing, hunting, or combination hunting and
10 fishing license at the same cost as a resident license upon presentation of a
11 student identification card or other document from a school that affirms ~~his or~~
12 ~~her~~ the student's status and payment of the fees set forth in this section;
13 ~~provided the student applies for the license to an authorized license agent. A~~
14 nonresident full-time student shall, when requested, show proof of the
15 student's status by furnishing a valid student identification card or other
16 document from a school.

17 (2) As used in this subsection, “full-time student” for purposes of
18 enrollment in a postsecondary educational institution means a student who is
19 registered for at least 12 credit hours per semester.

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1 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

2 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.