

By: Senator(s) Tollison

To: Wildlife and
Fisheries

SENATE BILL NO. 2369

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT ANY PERSON ADJUDGED TOTALLY DISABLED BY THE U.S.
3 CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM HUNTING LICENSE
4 FEES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE
5 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
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7 SECTION 1. Section 49-7-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 49-7-5. (1) * * * Any resident, as defined in Section
10 49-7-3, upon application, shall receive:

11 (a) A combination resident hunting and fishing license
12 for the sum of Seventeen Dollars (\$17.00). Under this
13 license * * * the licensee * * * may take fish and game * * *,
14 including deer and turkey * * *.

15 (b) * * * A resident combination small game hunting and
16 fishing license for the sum of Thirteen Dollars
17 (\$13.00) * * *. * * * Under this license, * * * the
18 licensee * * * may take fish * * * and game * * *, except deer and
19 turkey * * *.

20 (c) * * * A resident small game license * * * for * * *
21 the sum of Thirteen Dollars (\$13.00) * * *. * * * Under this
22 license, * * * the * * * licensee may take game * * *, except deer
23 and turkey * * *.

24 (d) * * * A sportsman's license for the sum of
25 Thirty-two Dollars (\$32.00). Under this license, * * * the
26 licensee may take fish and * * * game * * *, including deer and
27 turkey, * * * and may hunt with primitive weapons and bow and
28 arrow * * *. The commission may notify the licensee of the

29 expiration of his license, and the licensee may renew the license
30 by mailing the fee to the commission. A licensee who has not
31 renewed the license within thirty (30) days after the expiration
32 date shall be removed from the commission's records, and the
33 licensee must apply to be placed on the renewal list.

34 (2) (a) Any resident * * * of the State of Mississippi who
35 has not reached the age of sixteen (16) years or who has reached
36 the age of sixty-five (65) years, or any resident * * * who is
37 blind, paraplegic, or a multiple amputee, or who has been adjudged
38 by the Veterans Administration as having a total service-connected
39 disability, or has been adjudged to be totally disabled by the
40 Social Security Administration or U.S. Civil Service Commission
41 shall not be required to purchase or have in his possession, a
42 hunting or fishing license while engaged in such activities. A
43 person exempt * * * under this section, shall have in his
44 possession and on his person proof of * * * age, residency,
45 disability status or other respective physical impairment while
46 engaged in * * * hunting or fishing.

47 (b) All exempt hunting and fishing licenses previously
48 issued for disabilities shall be null and void effective July 1,
49 1993.

50 (3) No license shall be required of a resident to hunt, fish
51 or trap on lands in which the record title is vested in that
52 person.

53 (4) Any person or persons exempt under this section from
54 procuring a license shall be subject to and must comply with all
55 other * * * provisions of this chapter.

56 (5) Any person authorized to issue any license under this
57 section may collect and retain for the issuance of each license
58 the additional fee authorized under Section 49-7-17.

59 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
60 and after July 1, 1999.