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HOUSE BILL NO. 593

BY REPRESENTATIVES POPE AND HOFFMANN

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

HUNTING/LICENSES: Authorizes a nonresident student in a Louisiana high school to purchase a nonresident basic hunting license for the cost of a resident hunting license

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:104(A)(9), relative to hunting licenses; provides that a  
3 nonresident student enrolled in a Louisiana high school may purchase hunting  
4 licenses for the same cost as a resident; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:104(A)(9) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §104. License fees; reciprocity; exceptions

8 A. No license shall be issued under this Part unless there has been previously  
9 paid a fee or fees as hereinafter set forth:

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11 (9)(a) Any person who is not a resident of the state of Louisiana but who is  
12 a full-time student enrolled in an accredited college or university that has a physical  
13 campus in the state of Louisiana may purchase a nonresident basic hunting license  
14 for the cost of a resident hunting license as provided in Paragraph (1) of this  
15 Subsection. Any licenses or permits which may be required in addition to the basic  
16 hunting license, such as a big game license or a duck license or a turkey license, may  
17 also be purchased for the cost of the equivalent resident license or permit. In order  
18 to purchase a license under the provisions of this ~~Paragraph~~ Subparagraph, the  
19 person shall provide to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries verification of his  
20 full-time status. Such verification may be provided through the mail. Any person

1 hunting under a license issued pursuant to this ~~Paragraph~~ Subparagraph shall also  
2 have on his person his student identification card which indicates current full-time  
3 status.

4 (b) Any person who is sixteen years of age or older and who is not a resident  
5 of the state of Louisiana but who is enrolled as a full-time or part-time student in a  
6 public or private high school in the state of Louisiana may purchase a nonresident  
7 basic hunting license for the cost of a resident hunting license as provided in  
8 Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. Any licenses or permits which may be required in  
9 addition to the basic hunting license, such as a big game license or a duck license or  
10 a turkey license, may also be purchased for the cost of the equivalent resident license  
11 or permit. In order to purchase a license under the provisions of this Subparagraph,  
12 the person shall provide to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries verification of  
13 his enrollment status in a Louisiana high school. Such verification may be provided  
14 through the mail. Any person hunting under a license issued pursuant to this  
15 Subparagraph shall also have on his person his student identification card which  
16 indicates current enrollment status.

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DIGEST

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Pope

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**Abstract:** Authorizes a nonresident La. high school student to purchase hunting licenses at the cost of a resident license.

Present law requires the purchase of a basic hunting license in order to hunt in the state of La. Further requires additional licenses for hunting deer, turkey, or migratory waterfowl. Provides for resident fees and nonresident fees for such licenses.

Present law authorizes nonresident students enrolled full-time in La. colleges to obtain hunting licenses for the cost of a resident license. Requires verification of enrollment status and possession of a student identification card while hunting.

Proposed law provides the same authorization and requirements for nonresident students enrolled full-time or part-time in a La. high school. Fees would be reduced as follows:

Duck license	<u>from</u>	\$ 25	<u>to</u>	\$ 5.50
Wild turkey	<u>from</u>	\$ 25	<u>to</u>	\$ 5.50
Basic hunting	<u>from</u>	\$ 200	<u>to</u>	\$ 15
Big game	<u>from</u>	\$ 250	<u>to</u>	\$ 15
Primitive firearms	<u>from</u>	\$ 50	<u>to</u>	\$ 10.50

(Adds R.S. 56:104(A)(9))