

LEGISLATIVE BILL 129

Approved by the Governor March 8, 1977

Introduced by Mills, 44

AN ACT to amend section 37-204, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1976, relating to hunting and fishing permits; to provide for a three-day nonresident fishing permit; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 37-204, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1976, be amended to read as follows:

37-204. There shall be paid to the state, for permits issued under the provisions of this act, the following fees:

(1) Beginning January 1, 1977, resident fees shall be six dollars and fifty cents for hunting, seven dollars and fifty cents for fishing, thirteen dollars and fifty cents for both fishing and hunting, and seven dollars for trapping or otherwise taking fur-bearing animals pursuant to the regulations of the Game and Parks Commission;

(2) By nonresidents, for trapping or otherwise taking one thousand or less fur-bearing animals, two hundred dollars for a period of time specified by the commission and ten dollars additional for each one hundred or part of one hundred fur-bearing animals taken or trapped; the commission may limit the number of days for which such a permit is issued and the number of fish or game birds taken on one permit, and is authorized to issue coupons attached to nonresident permits for the purpose of tagging and identification. No hunting permit shall be required of any nonresident entering this state solely to participate in scheduled dog trials for which an entry fee is charged. For purposes of this subdivision, scheduled dog trials shall mean events wherein hunting dogs and their owners or handlers compete and are judged under controlled conditions in various feats of skill and performance in the hunting or retrieving of birds and animals when such events are conducted under the written authorization of the Game and Parks Commission. Commencing January 1, 1977, the fee for the nonresident hunting permit shall be thirty dollars, the fee for the nonresident fishing permit shall be ten dollars for three days or fifteen dollars for five days, and all other nonresident permits shall be at the

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rate above stated, and the fee for a nonresident annual fishing permit shall be thirty dollars per year except that, for a nonresident fishing permit valid only for fishing in the Missouri River or any lake thereof, the fee shall be five dollars for five days and fifteen dollars for an annual permit; and

(3) No person, except a resident of the United States who has resided in this state continuously for a period of ninety days before making an application for a permit under this act and who has a bona fide intention of becoming a legal resident of this state, supported by documentary proof, shall be deemed to be a resident or be issued a permit as such under this act. The issuance of a hunter's permit to anyone known to be physically or mentally unfit to carry or use firearms is hereby prohibited. All nonresident hunters regardless of age shall be required to obtain a permit, and all nonresident anglers under sixteen years of age must be accompanied by a person possessing a valid fishing permit.

Sec. 2. This act shall become operative on January 1, 1978.

Sec. 3. That original section 37-204, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1976, is repealed.