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HOUSE BILL 2116

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 17-332, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO BIG GAME PERMITS AND TAGS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 17-332, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 17-332. Form and contents of license; duplicate licenses;
5 period of validity

6 A. Licenses and license materials shall be prepared by the department
7 and furnished and charged to dealers authorized to issue licenses. The
8 license shall be issued in the name of the department and countersigned by an
9 issuing dealer. Except as provided by rule adopted by the commission, each
10 license shall be signed by the licensee in ink on the face of the license and
11 any license not signed is invalid. With each license authorizing the taking
12 of big game the department shall provide such tags as the commission may
13 prescribe, which the licensee shall attach to the big game animal in such
14 manner as prescribed by the commission. The commission shall limit the
15 number of big game permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing to ten
16 per cent or fewer of the total hunt permits, but in extraordinary
17 circumstances, at a public meeting the commission may increase the number of
18 permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing if, on separate roll call
19 votes, the members of the commission unanimously:

20 1. Support the finding of a specifically described extraordinary
21 circumstance.

22 2. Adopt the increased number of nonresident permits for the hunt.

23 B. The commission shall issue with each license a shipping permit
24 entitling the holder of the license to a shipment of game or fish as provided
25 by article 4 of this chapter.

26 C. It is unlawful, except as provided by the commission, for any
27 person to apply for or obtain in any one license year more than one original
28 license permitting the taking of big game. A duplicate license or tag may be
29 issued by the department or by a license dealer if the person requesting such
30 license or tag furnishes the information deemed necessary by the commission.
31 A fee of four dollars shall be collected for each duplicate license or tag
32 issued.

33 D. No license or permit is transferable, nor shall such license or
34 permit be used by anyone except the person to whom such license or permit was
35 issued, except that:

36 1. A person may transfer the person's big game permit or tag to a
37 qualified organization for use by a minor child who has a life threatening
38 medical condition. The commission may prescribe the manner and conditions of
39 transferring and using permits and tags under this paragraph. For the
40 purposes of this paragraph, "qualified organization" means a nonprofit
41 organization that is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States
42 internal revenue code and that affords opportunities and experiences to
43 children with life threatening medical conditions.

1 2. A parent, GRANDPARENT or legal guardian may allow the parent's,
2 GRANDPARENT'S or guardian's minor child OR MINOR GRANDCHILD to use the
3 parent's, GRANDPARENT'S or guardian's big game permit or tag to take big game
4 pursuant to the following requirements:

5 (a) The parent, GRANDPARENT or guardian must transfer the permit or
6 tag to the child in a manner prescribed by the commission.

7 (b) The parent or guardian must accompany the child in the field OR,
8 IF A GRANDPARENT ALLOWS A MINOR GRANDCHILD TO USE THE GRANDPARENT'S PERMIT OR
9 TAG, THE GRANDPARENT, PARENT OR THE CHILD'S GUARDIAN MUST ACCOMPANY THE CHILD
10 IN THE FIELD. ~~and~~ IN EITHER CASE, THE ADULT must be within fifty yards of
11 the child when the animal is taken.

12 (c) The child must possess a class F or class G license and, if under
13 the age of fourteen, must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter
14 education course or another comparable hunter education course that is
15 approved by the director.

16 (d) Any big game that is taken counts toward the child's bag limit.

17 E. No refunds may be made for the purchase of a license or permit.

18 F. Licenses are valid for a license year and expire on December 31
19 except for special licenses issued by the commission, pioneer complimentary
20 licenses, resident and nonresident trapping licenses, sport falconry licenses
21 and classes B, C and D licenses as provided in section 17-333 and lifetime
22 class A, F and G licenses and lifetime trout stamps as provided in section
23 17-335.01. Trapping licenses are valid from July 1 through June 30 of the
24 following year. Lifetime licenses and lifetime trout stamps are valid for
25 the lifetime of the licensee.