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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 **OR BY A MINOR CHILD WHO HAS A PERMANENT PHYSICAL**
39 **DISABILITY**. The commission may prescribe the manner and conditions of
40 transferring and using permits and tags under this paragraph. **IF A**
41 **PHYSICALLY DISABLED CHILD IS UNDER THE AGE OF FOURTEEN, THE CHILD MUST**
42 **SATISFACTORILY COMPLETE THE ARIZONA HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE OR ANOTHER**
43 **COMPARABLE HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE THAT IS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR**. For the
44 purposes of this paragraph: ~~—~~

1 (a) "DISABILITY" MEANS A PERMANENT PHYSICAL IMPAIRMENT THAT
2 SUBSTANTIALLY LIMITS ONE OR MORE OF THE CHILD'S MAJOR LIFE ACTIVITIES
3 REQUIRING THE ASSISTANCE OF ANOTHER PERSON OR MECHANICAL DEVICE FOR PHYSICAL
4 MOBILITY.

5 (b) "Qualified organization" means a nonprofit organization that is
6 qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States internal revenue code
7 and that affords opportunities and experiences to children with life
8 threatening medical conditions OR WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES.

9 2. A parent or legal guardian may allow the parent's or guardian's
10 minor child to use the parent's or guardian's big game permit or tag to take
11 big game pursuant to the following requirements:

12 (a) The parent or guardian must transfer the permit or tag to the
13 child in a manner prescribed by the commission.

14 (b) The parent or guardian must accompany the child in the field and
15 must be within fifty yards of the child when the animal is taken.

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

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

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

22 F. Licenses are valid for a license year and expire on December 31
23 except for special licenses issued by the commission, pioneer complimentary
24 licenses, resident and nonresident trapping licenses, sport falconry licenses
25 and classes B, C and D licenses as provided in section 17-333 and lifetime
26 class A, F and G licenses and lifetime trout stamps as provided in section
27 17-335.01. Trapping licenses are valid from July 1 through June 30 of the
28 following year. Lifetime licenses and lifetime trout stamps are valid for
29 the lifetime of the licensee.