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Introduced by M. of A. ORTIZ, ABBATE, MARKEY, BENEDETTO, SCHIMMINGER,
SCHROEDER, TOWNS, MAGNARELLI -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. CLARK,
COLTON, DelMONTE, FARRELL, JOHN, KOON, PHEFFER, SEMINERIO, WEISENBERG
-- read once and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conserva-
tion

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to waiv-
ing certain fishing and hunting fees for certain members of the mili-
tary serving during a period of war

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 11-0715 of the environmental
2 conservation law, as amended by chapter 418 of the laws of 2004, is
3 amended to read as follows:
4 2. A resident in the state for thirty days immediately prior to the
5 date of application who has attained the age of seventy is entitled to
6 receive all licenses, stamps, tags, buttons, and permits authorized by
7 this title for which he or she is eligible, except turkey permits,
8 renewable each year for a five dollar fee; a member of the Shinnecock
9 tribe or the Poospatuck tribe or a member of the six nations, residing
10 on any reservation wholly or partly within the state, is entitled to
11 receive free of charge a fishing license, a small and big game license,
12 a sportsman license, a muzzle-loading stamp, a trapping license, and a
13 bow hunting stamp; a resident of the state who is a member of the United
14 States armed forces in active service who is not stationed within the
15 state and has not been herein longer than thirty days on leave or
16 furlough, is entitled to receive free of charge a fishing license, a
17 small and big game license, and a trapping license; an active member of
18 the organized militia of the state of New York as defined by section one
19 of the military law, or the reserve components of the armed forces of
20 the United States, and excluding members of the inactive national guard
21 and individual ready reserve, is entitled to receive free of charge a

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 fishing license, a small and big game license, and a trapping license; A
2 RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO PERFORMED MILITARY SERVICE DURING A PERIOD OF
3 WAR AND WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED, IS ENTITLED, FOR THE FIVE YEARS IMME-
4 DIATELY SUCCEEDING HIS OR HER RETURN TO THE STATE FROM SUCH MILITARY
5 SERVICE, TO RECEIVE FREE OF CHARGE A FISHING LICENSE, A SMALL AND BIG
6 GAME LICENSE, AND A TRAPPING LICENSE; and a resident who is blind is
7 entitled to receive a fishing license free of charge. For the purposes
8 of this subdivision a person is blind only if either: (a) his or her
9 central visual acuity does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with
10 correcting lenses, or (b) his or her visual acuity is greater than
11 20/200 but is accompanied by a limitation of the field of vision such
12 that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle no great-
13 er than 20 degrees.

14 A resident in the state for a period of thirty days immediately prior
15 to the date of application who has attained the age of sixty-five is
16 entitled to receive a sportsman license at the cost of five dollars as a
17 license fee.

18 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.