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Introduced by M. of A. CROUCH -- read once and referred to the Committee  
on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to waiv-  
ing hunting and fishing license fees for volunteer firefighters and  
volunteer ambulance workers

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 section 4 of part R of chapter 58 of the  
3     laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:  
4     2. A member of the Shinnecock tribe or the Poospatuck tribe or a  
5     member of the six nations, residing on any reservation wholly or partly  
6     within the state, is entitled to receive free of charge a fishing  
7     license, a hunting license, a muzzle-loading privilege, a trapping  
8     license, and a bowhunting privilege; a resident of the state who is a  
9     member of the United States armed forces in active service who is not  
10    stationed within the state and has not been herein longer than thirty  
11    days on leave or furlough, is entitled to receive free of charge a fish-  
12    ing license, a hunting license, and a trapping license; a resident of  
13    the state who is an active member of the organized militia of the state  
14    of New York as defined by section one of the military law, or the  
15    reserve components of the armed forces of the United States, and exclud-  
16    ing members of the inactive national guard and individual ready reserve,  
17    is entitled to receive free of charge a fishing license, a hunting  
18    license, and a trapping license; A VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKER, AS  
19    DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION THREE OF THE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE  
20    WORKERS' BENEFIT LAW, OR A VOLUNTEER FIREMAN, AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION  
21    ONE OF SECTION THREE OF THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' BENEFIT LAW, IS  
22    ENTITLED TO RECEIVE FREE OF CHARGE A FISHING LICENSE, AND A SMALL AND  
23    BIG GAME LICENSE; and a resident who is blind is entitled to receive a  
24    fishing license free of charge. For the purposes of this subdivision a

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

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1 person is blind only if either: (a) his or her central visual acuity  
2 does not exceed 20/200 in the better eye with correcting lenses, or (b)  
3 his or her visual acuity is greater than 20/200 but is accompanied by a  
4 limitation of the field of vision such that the widest diameter of the  
5 visual field subtends an angle no greater than 20 degrees.  
6 A resident in the state for a period of thirty days immediately prior  
7 to the date of application who has attained the age of seventy is enti-  
8 tled to receive a fishing license, a trapping license, and a hunting  
9 license, at a cost of five dollars for each license.  
10 A resident in the state for a period of thirty days immediately prior  
11 to the date of application who has attained the age of seventy is enti-  
12 tled to receive free of charge a bowhunting privilege and a muzzle-load-  
13 ing privilege.  
14 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.