

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 HB3880

Introduced 11/8/2011, by Rep. Brandon W. Phelps

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

520 ILCS 5/3.1-5

Amends the Wildlife Code. Provides that persons aged 17 and under may apply annually for an Apprentice Hunter License that shall expire on the March 31 following the date of issuance. Provides that persons aged 18 and older may apply 3 times for an Apprentice Hunter License that shall expire on the March 31 following the date of issuance. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning wildlife.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Wildlife Code is amended by changing Section
- 5 3.1-5 as follows:
- 6 (520 ILCS 5/3.1-5)
- 7 Sec. 3.1-5. Apprentice Hunter License Program.
- 8 (a) Beginning 120 days after the effective date of this
- 9 amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly, the Department
- 10 shall establish an Apprentice Hunter License Program. The
- 11 purpose of this Program shall be to extend limited hunting
- 12 privileges, in lieu of obtaining a valid hunting license, to
- 13 persons interested in learning about hunting sports.
- 14 (b) Any resident or nonresident may apply to the Department
- for an Apprentice Hunter License. <u>Persons aged 17 and under may</u>
- 16 <u>apply annually for an</u> The Apprentice Hunter License shall be a
- one time, non renewable license that shall expire on the March
- 18 31 following the date of issuance. Persons aged 18 and older
- may apply 3 times for an Apprentice Hunter License that shall
- 20 expire on the March 31 following the date of issuance.
- 21 (c) For persons aged 17 and under, the Apprentice Hunter
- 22 License shall entitle the licensee to hunt while supervised by
- 23 a validly licensed resident or nonresident parent, guardian, or

pursuant to this Code.

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- grandparent. For persons 18 or older, the Apprentice Hunter
  License shall entitle the licensee to hunt while supervised by
  a validly licensed resident or nonresident hunter who is 21
  years of age or older. Possession of an Apprentice Hunter
  License shall serve in lieu of a valid hunting license, but
  does not exempt the licensee from compliance with the
  requirements of this Code and any rules and regulations adopted
- 9 (d) In order to be approved for the Apprentice Hunter 10 License, the applicant must request an Apprentice Hunter 11 License on a form designated and made available by the 12 Department and submit a \$7 fee, which shall be separate from 13 and additional to any other stamp, permit, tag, or license fee that may be required for hunting under this Code. 14 15 Department shall adopt suitable administrative rules that are 16 reasonable and necessary for the administration of the program, 17 but shall not require any certificate of competency or other hunting education as a condition of the Apprentice Hunter 18 19 License.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 95-739, eff. 7-17-08; 96-1213, eff. 7-22-10.)
- 21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 22 becoming law.