

1 AN ACT concerning fish.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Fish and Aquatic Life Code is amended by  
5 adding Section 20-56 as follows:

6 (515 ILCS 5/20-56 new)

7 Sec. 20-56. First-time fishing license. Except as  
8 otherwise provided in this Code, for sport fishing devices as  
9 defined in Section 10-95 or spearing devices as defined in  
10 Section 10-110, any resident of Illinois who is 26 years of age  
11 or older who has not purchased a resident fishing license in  
12 the past 10 years is eligible to receive a one-time annual  
13 resident fishing license for a fee of \$5. Any nonresident who  
14 is 26 years of age or older and has not purchased a nonresident  
15 fishing license in the past 10 years is eligible to receive a  
16 one-time annual sport fishing license for a fee of \$10.

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January  
18 1, 2024.