

HOUSE BILL No. 6169

September 22, 1998, Introduced by Reps. Lowe, Freeman, LeTarte, Geiger, Jansen, Birkholz, Voorhees, Goschka, Middaugh, McBryde, DeHart, Bodem, Hammerstrom, McManus, Schauer, Horton, Whyman, Gernaat, Cropsey, Prusi, Dalman, Richner and Raczkowski and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Environment and Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending section 43537 (MCL 324.43537), as amended by 1996
PA 585.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 43537. (1) A resident who is declared legally blind is
2 eligible to purchase a senior restricted or senior all-species
3 fishing license. The department may demand proof of blindness.
4 The licensee, when fishing, shall possess proof of blindness and
5 shall furnish the proof upon the request of a peace officer.
6 (2) A resident who has been determined by the United States
7 department of veterans affairs to be permanently and totally dis-
8 abled and entitled to veteran benefits at the 100% rate, for a
9 disability other than blindness, OR WHO HAS BEEN DETERMINED BY
10 THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION TO BE A DISABLED INDIVIDUAL

1 UNDER SECTION 1614 OF PART A OF TITLE XVI OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY
2 ACT, 42 U.S.C. 1382c, FOR A DISABILITY OTHER THAN BLINDNESS, is
3 eligible to purchase any senior hunting license as described in
4 section 43535 or any senior fishing license described in
5 section 43536, or both. The department may demand proof of eli-
6 gibility under this subsection. The licensee, when hunting or
7 taking aquatic species, shall possess proof of his or her eligi-
8 bility under this subsection and shall furnish the proof upon the
9 request of a peace officer.

10 (3) The department shall process licenses issued under this
11 section in the same manner as licenses issued to senior citizens
12 for purposes of receiving appropriations from the legislature
13 under section 43546.