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HOUSE BILL No. 695

(By Mr. Hawze and Mr. Bowman)



PASSED February 19, 1969

In Effect Ninety days from Passage



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AN ACT to amend article two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section fifty-seven, relating to authority for the director of natural resources to issue a license to take fish and mussels for commercial purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That article two, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section fifty-seven, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 2. GAME AND FISH.**

**§20-2-57. License to take fish and mussels for commercial purposes.**

1 The director may issue a license to any resident of

2 West Virginia or Ohio to take fish or mussels for com-  
3 mercial purposes from any portion or all of the main  
4 stem of the Ohio river bordering West Virginia. Said  
5 license shall be required of every person engaged at  
6 any time in taking fish or mussels for commercial  
7 purposes.

8 All nets, traps or other devices used to take fish or  
9 mussels according to the provisions of this section shall  
10 be plainly marked with a durable plate or tag bearing  
11 the name and address of the owner of said nets, traps or  
12 other devices and an accurate report of any fish or mus-  
13 sels caught therein shall be submitted to the director by  
14 the license holder. Species of fish which may be taken,  
15 seasons for taking, type of gear, catch limitations, and  
16 the frequency and content of said report and other  
17 necessary requirements shall be determined by the  
18 director in his rules and regulations.

19 The fee for such license shall be twenty-five dollars for  
20 West Virginia residents and one hundred dollars for  
21 Ohio residents and the license shall expire on the first  
22 day of January following the date of issue.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

*William Tompa*

Chairman Senate Committee

*Clayton C. Davidson*

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

*Howard Myers*

Clerk of the Senate

*C. Blankenship*

Clerk of the House of Delegates

*Thy George*

President of the Senate

*Ivor F. Bacon*

Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1969.

*Arch A. Shouse Jr.*

Governor



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