

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1134**

Introduced by

Representatives Vetter, Brandenburg, Cory, Dockter, Rohr, M. Ruby, Schauer, Steiner

Senators Burckhard, Magrum, Meyer, Paulson

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-03 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to hunting and fishing license, permit, and application fees for  
3 out-of-state national guard members; and to amend and reenact section 20.1-01-02,  
4 subsection 3 of section 20.1-03-07.1, subsection 4 of section 20.1-04-12.1, and section  
5 20.1-06-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to hunting and fishing license, permit,  
6 and application fees for out-of-state national guard members.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

8 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-01-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
9 amended and reenacted as follows:

10 **20.1-01-02. Definitions.**

11 In this title, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 12 1. "Afield" means being away from one's home or camp. The term does not include  
13 driving or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle in violation of section  
14 39-08-01 or equivalent ordinance.
- 15 2. "Any part thereof" or "the parts thereof" includes the hide, horns, or hoofs of any  
16 animal specified and the plumage, skin, and every other part of any bird specified.
- 17 3. "Aquatic nuisance species" means any nonindigenous, obligate aquatic species of  
18 plant or animal which is injurious to native and desirable aquatic species or which has  
19 a negative effect on aquatic habitats, environment, or the economy of the state.
- 20 4. "Associated equipment" means:
  - 21 a. ~~Any~~any system, part, or component of a boat as originally manufactured or any  
22 similar part or component manufactured or sold for replacement, repair, or  
23 improvement of ~~such~~the system, part, or component;
  - 24 b. ~~Any~~any accessory or equipment for, or appurtenance to, a boat; and

- 1 e. Any any marine safety article, accessory, or equipment intended for use by a-  
2 person an individual on board a boat; ~~but~~
- 3 d. ~~Excluding. The term does not include~~ radio equipment.
- 4 5. "Big game" means deer, moose, elk, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, and antelope.
- 5 6. "Boat" means any vessel:
- 6 a. Manufactured or used primarily for noncommercial use;
- 7 b. Leased, rented, or chartered to another for the latter's noncommercial use; or
- 8 c. Engaged in the carrying of six or fewer passengers.
- 9 7. "Confiscate" or "confiscated" means to hold subject to the order of a court of  
10 competent jurisdiction.
- 11 8. "Consideration" means something of value given or done in exchange for something of  
12 value given or done by another.
- 13 9. "Crops" means any plant that has been harvested, collected, or stored as livestock  
14 feed, fodder, or fuel.
- 15 10. "Day leasing" means the practice of an outfitter entering a short-term lease agreement  
16 that is intended to and does last less than twenty-four hours.
- 17 11. "Department" means the game and fish department.
- 18 12. "Depredation" means damage to or destruction of private property.
- 19 13. "Deputy director" means the deputy director of the department.
- 20 14. "Director" means the director of the department.
- 21 15. "Disabled veteran" means a veteran who has a one hundred percent  
22 service-connected disability as determined by the department of veterans' affairs or  
23 has an extra-schedular rating to include individual unemployability that brings the  
24 veteran's total disability ratio to one hundred percent as determined by the department  
25 of veterans' affairs.
- 26 16. "Endangered species" means any species whose prospects of survival or recruitment  
27 within the state are in jeopardy due to anyone or more of the following factors:
- 28 a. The destruction, drastic modification, or severe curtailment of its habitat.
- 29 b. Its overutilization for scientific, commercial, or sporting purposes.
- 30 c. The effect on it of disease, pollution, or predation.

1           d. Other natural or manmade factors affecting its prospects of survival or  
2           recruitment within the state.

3           e. ~~Any combination of the foregoing factors.~~

4           The term also includes any species classified as endangered pursuant to the  
5           Endangered Species Act of 1973, Public Law 93-205.

6       17. "Established road or trail" means any public highway or road, improved or otherwise,  
7       dedicated for public ingress or egress, or any other road or trail normally used for  
8       travel but does not include temporary trails across cultivated land used for agricultural  
9       purposes.

10      18. "Fur-bearers" includes mink, muskrats, weasels, wolverines, otters, martens, fishers,  
11      kit or swift foxes, beavers, raccoons, badgers, wolves, coyotes, bobcats, lynx,  
12      mountain lions, black bears, and red or gray foxes.

13      19. "Game birds" includes all varieties of geese, brant, swans, ducks, plovers, snipes,  
14      woodcocks, grouse, sagehens, pheasants, Hungarian partridges, quails, partridges,  
15      cranes, rails, coots, wild turkeys, mourning doves, and crows.

16      20. "Guide" means an individual who is employed by or contracts with a licensed outfitter  
17      to help the outfitter furnish personal services for the conduct of outdoor recreational  
18      activities directly related to the conduct of activities for which the employing outfitter is  
19      licensed.

20      21. "Gun dogs" includes any dog used to hunt protected wildlife.

21      22. "Harmful wild birds" includes blackbirds, magpies, English sparrows, and starlings.

22      23. "Harmless wild birds" includes all wild birds ~~that are not defined herein as~~ "harmful  
23      wild birds" or "game birds".

24      24. "Hunt" or "hunting" means shooting, shooting at, pursuing, taking, attempting to take,  
25      or killing any game animals and game birds; searching for or attempting to locate or  
26      flush any game animals and game birds; luring, calling, or attempting to attract game  
27      animals and game birds; hiding for the purpose of taking or attempting to take game  
28      animals and game birds; and walking, crawling, or advancing toward wildlife while  
29      possessing implements or equipment useful in the taking of game animals or game  
30      birds. The term does not include possessing or using photographic equipment.

- 1       25. "Hunt through the internet" means to hunt wildlife in real time using internet services to  
2       remotely control actual firearms and to remotely discharge live ammunition allowing a  
3       person who is not physically present to take wildlife. The term includes using any  
4       remotely controlled device to hunt the animal such as a hand-held communication  
5       device, cellular telephone, or global-positioning device.
- 6       26. "Indian land" means land within the exterior boundaries of an Indian reservation held  
7       in trust by the federal government for the benefit of an Indian tribe or an Indian and  
8       land within the exterior boundaries of an Indian reservation owned in fee by an Indian  
9       tribe or an Indian.
- 10      27. "Introduce" means to place, release, or allow the escape of a non-native species into a  
11      free-living state.
- 12      28. "Manufacturer" means any person engaged in:
- 13      a. The manufacture, construction, or assembly of boats or associated equipment.  
14      b. The manufacture or construction of components for boats and associated  
15      equipment to be sold for subsequent assembly.  
16      c. The importation into the state for sale of boats, associated equipment, or  
17      components thereof.
- 18      29. "Motorboat" means any vessel propelled by machinery, whether or not the machinery  
19      is the principal source of propulsion. The term does not include a vessel having a valid  
20      marine document issued by the bureau of customs of the United States government or  
21      any federal agency successor thereto.
- 22      30. "Motor-driven vehicle" means any land vehicle, with or without wheels, that is  
23      propelled by any motor.
- 24      31. "Native aquatic species" means an animal or plant species that is naturally present  
25      and reproducing within this state or which naturally expands from its historic range into  
26      this state.
- 27      32. "Non-native species" means a species that is not a native species.
- 28      33. "Operate" means to navigate or otherwise use a motorboat or a vessel.
- 29      34. "Out-of-state guard member" means an individual who is a current or former member  
30      of the North Dakota national guard who resides in the United States outside the  
31      geographical boundaries of this state.

- 1        35. "Outfitter" means a person that holds the person's business operation out to the public  
2        for hire or consideration; provides facilities or services for consideration; maintains,  
3        leases, or otherwise provides compensation for the use of land and which receives  
4        compensation from a third party for use of that land; or otherwise uses equipment or  
5        accommodations for consideration for the conduct of outdoor recreational activities,  
6        including hunting animals or birds and fishing on lakes, reservoirs, rivers, and streams.  
7        An outfitter may act as a guide. The term does not include a person holding title or an  
8        equitable interest in business operations if the purpose of the business operation is to  
9        provide food or lodging to the general public, chamber of commerce activities, travel  
10       agencies, or others that offer free information to attract outdoor and recreational use of  
11       their communities.
- 12    ~~35-36.~~ "Owner" means a person, other than a lienholder, having the property in or title to a  
13       motorboat. The term includes a person entitled to the use or possession of a  
14       motorboat subject to an interest in another person, reserved or created by agreement  
15       and securing payment or performance of an obligation, ~~but the~~ The term excludes a  
16       lessee under a lease not intended as security.
- 17    ~~36-37.~~ "Passenger" means every ~~person~~ individual carried on board a vessel other than:  
18       a. The owner or the owner's representative.  
19       b. The operator.  
20       c. Bona fide members of the crew engaged in the business of the vessel who have  
21       contributed no consideration for their carriage and who are paid for their services.  
22       d. Any guest on board a vessel which is being used exclusively for pleasure  
23       purposes who has not contributed any consideration, directly or indirectly, for that  
24       ~~person's~~ guest's carriage.
- 25    ~~37-38.~~ "Person" includes every partnership, association, corporation, and limited liability  
26       company. ~~No~~ A violation of this title may not be excused because it was done as the  
27       agent or employee of another, nor because it was committed by or through an agent or  
28       employee of the person charged.
- 29    ~~38-39.~~ "Personal watercraft" means a motorboat that is powered by an inboard motor  
30       powering a water jet pump or by an inboard or outboard marine engine and which is

- 1 designed to be operated by a ~~person~~an individual sitting, standing, or kneeling on the  
2 craft, rather than in a conventional manner of sitting or standing inside a motorboat.
- 3 ~~39.40.~~ "Possession" means control, actual possession, and constructive possession of the  
4 article or thing specified.
- 5 ~~40.41.~~ "Private fish hatchery" means a body of water, whether natural or artificial, and any  
6 other facilities used, maintained, or operated by any private person, ~~firm, corporation,~~  
7 ~~or limited liability company~~ for the propagation and production of fish for sale or  
8 planting in other waters. Except in the case of trout, walleye, northern pike, and  
9 crappie, which may be raised in a private fish hatchery without the director's approval,  
10 by rule the director may, ~~by rule,~~ regulate the species of fish which may be raised in a  
11 private fish hatchery. No waters stocked by any state or federal governmental agency  
12 may be considered a private fish hatchery.
- 13 ~~41.42.~~ "Public waters" means waters to which the general public has a right to access.
- 14 ~~42.43.~~ "Resident" means ~~any person~~an individual who has actually lived within this state or  
15 maintained that ~~person's~~individual's residence ~~therein~~within this state for at least six  
16 months immediately preceding the date that residence is to be determined. A  
17 ~~person's~~An individual's residence is the place where the ~~person~~individual remains  
18 when not called elsewhere for special or temporary purposes. A resident can only  
19 have one residence and a residence cannot be lost until another is gained. A  
20 residence or home is a permanent building or part of a building and may include a  
21 house, condominium, apartment, room in a house, or mobile home. A rental property,  
22 vacant lot, or house, cabin, or premises used primarily for business or recreational  
23 pursuits may not be considered a residence. A "nonresident" is any ~~person~~individual  
24 who has not actually lived within this state or maintained that ~~person's~~individual's  
25 residence within this state for at least six months immediately preceding the date that  
26 residence is to be determined.
- 27 ~~43.44.~~ "Resident species" means any species nearly all of whose individuals in this state are  
28 located within this state for at least three-fourths of annual cycle of the species.
- 29 ~~44.45.~~ "Retrieve" means to have taken possession and made ready for transportation.
- 30 ~~45.46.~~ "Sell" and "sale" means any sale or offer to sell, or possession with intent to sell, use,  
31 or dispose of, the article or thing specified, contrary to law.

- 1 ~~46-47.~~ "Shooting preserve" or "preserve" means any privately owned or leased acreage  
2 [hectarage] on which hatchery-raised game birds are released to be hunted for a fee  
3 over an extended season.
- 4 ~~47-48.~~ "Sinkbox" or "sunken device" means a raft or any type of low floating device having a  
5 depression that affords a hunter a means of concealing that ~~person~~hunter below the  
6 surface of the water.
- 7 ~~48-49.~~ "Slow or no wake speed" means the slowest possible speed necessary to maintain  
8 steerage.
- 9 ~~49-50.~~ "Small game" includes all game birds and tree squirrels.
- 10 ~~50-51.~~ "Species" includes any subspecies of wildlife and any other group of wildlife of the  
11 same species or smaller taxa in common spatial arrangement ~~that~~which interbreed  
12 when mature.
- 13 ~~51-52.~~ "Threatened species" means any species ~~which~~that is likely to become an endangered  
14 species within the foreseeable future and includes any species classified as  
15 threatened pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, Public Law 93-205.
- 16 ~~52-53.~~ "Transport" means to cause or attempt to cause a species to be carried or moved into  
17 or within the state and includes accepting or receiving the species for transportation or  
18 shipment. The term does not include the unintentional transport of a species while on  
19 a specific water of the state or to a connected water of the state where the species  
20 being transported is already present.
- 21 ~~53-54.~~ "Undocumented vessel" means a vessel ~~which~~that does not have a valid marine  
22 document as a vessel of the United States.
- 23 ~~54-55.~~ "Vessel" means any watercraft, other than a seaplane on the water, used or capable of  
24 being used as a means of transportation on water.
- 25 ~~55-56.~~ "Waterfowl" includes all varieties of geese, brant, swans, ducks, rails, and coots.
- 26 ~~56-57.~~ "Waters" when not qualified means waters not open to the general public.
- 27 ~~57-58.~~ "Waters of the state" means all waters of this state, including boundary waters. This  
28 title extends to and is in force and effect over, upon, and in all such waters.
- 29 ~~58-59.~~ "Wildlife" means any member of the animal kingdom including any mammal, fish, bird  
30 (including any migratory, nonmigratory, or endangered bird for which protection is also  
31 afforded by treaty or other international agreement), amphibian, reptile, mollusk,

1 crustacean, or other invertebrate, and includes any part, product, egg, or offspring  
2 thereof, or the dead body or parts thereof. Wildlife does not include domestic animals  
3 as defined by section 36-01-00.1 or birds or animals held in private ownership.

4 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 20.1-03-07.1 of the North Dakota  
5 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

6 3. Upon payment of the fee for a statewide nonresident waterfowl hunting license, a  
7 nonresident may hunt waterfowl in any zone. ~~Forty~~Except for an out-of-state guard  
8 member, forty dollars of the fee for a statewide nonresident waterfowl license must be  
9 used for the private land open to sportsmen program.

10 **SECTION 3.** A new section to chapter 20.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
11 and enacted as follows:

12 **Fees for out-of-state guard members.**

13 Notwithstanding sections 20.1-03-12, 20.1-03-12.2, 20.1-03-12.3, and 20.1-03-36.1, a  
14 license, permit, and application fee for an out-of-state guard member is equal to the fee for a  
15 resident.

16 **SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 4 of section 20.1-04-12.1 of the North Dakota  
17 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 18 4. The fees for the permits are:
- 19 a. For a resident professional gun dog trainer for training exercises or hosting field  
20 trials, ten dollars.
  - 21 b. For a nonresident professional gun dog trainer for training exercises or hosting  
22 field trials, one hundred dollars.
  - 23 c. For a ~~permit to a~~ nonresident amateur who brings more than four gun dogs into  
24 this state, twenty-five dollars.
  - 25 d. For a professional gun dog trainer who is an out-of-state guard member for  
26 training exercises or hosting field trials, ten dollars.
  - 27 e. For an amateur who is an out-of-state guard member, who brings more than four  
28 dogs into this state, ten dollars.

29 **SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-06-14 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
30 amended and reenacted as follows:

1           **20.1-06-14. Live bait wholesalers and retailers - License.**

2           The director shall adopt rules to control and supervise the operations of minnow or other  
3 live bait wholesalers and retailers. The director shall issue a license to each wholesaler when  
4 the wholesaler has complied with the director's rules and has paid the appropriate annual  
5 license fee. The director also shall issue a license to each retailer when the retailer has  
6 complied with the director's rules and has paid the appropriate license fee. A person may not  
7 take, possess, purchase, transport, or sell minnows or other live bait at wholesale or retail  
8 without first obtaining the appropriate license. The director may require each retailer or  
9 wholesaler to submit reports as the director may determine necessary. Licenses for wholesalers  
10 issued under this section authorize the following:

- 11           1. The annual resident license to sell minnows or other live bait at wholesale entitles the  
12 licensee to ten tags to mark bait-trapping equipment. A tag must be affixed to each  
13 trap used by the licensee. Upon request, the director shall issue additional tags to a  
14 licensee at a cost of five dollars per tag. A licensee may not import or export bait  
15 without first obtaining a permit from the director.
- 16           2. The annual class B nonresident license to sell minnows or other live bait at wholesale  
17 entitles a nonresident to import or export bait. A nonresident holding an annual class B  
18 nonresident license to sell minnows or other live bait at wholesale may not trap bait.  
19 For an individual holding an annual class B nonresident license who is an out-of-state  
20 guard member, the fee is fifty dollars, except the fee is seventy-five dollars if white  
21 suckers are sold.
- 22           3. The annual class A nonresident license to sell minnows or other live bait at wholesale  
23 entitles the licensee to ten tags to mark bait-trapping equipment. A tag must be affixed  
24 to each trap used by the licensee. Upon request, the director shall issue additional  
25 tags to a licensee at a cost of five dollars per tag. The annual class A nonresident  
26 license to sell minnows or other live bait at wholesale entitles the licensee to trap in  
27 state waters with the permission of the director and permits the import and export of  
28 approved bait with the permission of the director. A nonresident may hold a class A  
29 license under this section if the nonresident's state of residence provides the same  
30 privilege for residents of North Dakota. For an individual holding an annual class A

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- 1 nonresident license who is an out-of-state guard member, the fee is fifty dollars.
- 2 except the fee is seventy-five dollars if white suckers are sold.