

AMENDMENTS TO LB634

Introduced by Natural Resources.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 sections:

3 Section 1. Section 37-419, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
4 amended to read:

5 37-419 (1) Any person in the military service of the United States,
6 regardless of residence, who has been ordered to active duty at any
7 facility of the United States Department of Defense or its component
8 services located in the State of Nebraska, may hunt, fish, or harvest fur
9 on the appropriate resident permit upon satisfactory proof that such
10 person has been actually present for duty at such facility for a period
11 of thirty days or more.

12 (2) The spouse of any person in the military service of the United
13 States, regardless of residence, who has been ordered to active duty at
14 any facility of the United States Department of Defense or its component
15 services located in the State of Nebraska, may hunt, fish, or harvest fur
16 on the appropriate resident permit upon satisfactory proof that his or
17 her spouse has been actually present for duty at such facility for a
18 period of thirty days or more.

19 ~~(3~~ 2) Any person enrolled and in actual attendance as a full-time
20 student in any university, college, junior college, or vocational-
21 technical college in this state, regardless of residence, or any high
22 school foreign exchange student in this state, may hunt or fish on the
23 appropriate resident permit upon satisfactory proof that such person has
24 been actually in attendance at any such institution for a period of
25 thirty days or more or is a high school foreign exchange student.

26 Sec. 2. Section 37-420, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
27 2014, is amended to read:

1 37-420 (1) Any veteran who is a legal resident of the State of
2 Nebraska shall, upon application and without payment of any fee, be
3 issued a combination fishing and hunting permit, habitat stamp, aquatic
4 habitat stamp, and Nebraska migratory waterfowl stamp if the veteran:

5 (a) Was discharged or separated with a characterization of honorable
6 or general (under honorable conditions); and

7 (b)(i) Is rated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs
8 as fifty percent or more disabled as a result of service in the armed
9 forces of the United States; ~~or~~

10 (ii) Is receiving a pension from the department as a result of total
11 and permanent disability, which disability was not incurred in the line
12 of duty in the military service; or -

13 (iii) Was a prisoner of war in any war as a result of service in the
14 armed forces of the United States.

15 (2) If disabled persons are unable by reason of physical infirmities
16 to hunt and fish in the normal manner, the commission may issue special
17 permits without cost to those persons to hunt and fish from a vehicle,
18 but such permits shall not authorize any person to shoot from any public
19 highway.

20 (3) All permits issued without the payment of any fees pursuant to
21 this section shall be perpetual and become void only upon termination of
22 eligibility as provided in this section.

23 (4) The commission may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations
24 necessary to carry out this section.

25 (5) Permits issued under subdivision (3) of this section as it
26 existed prior to January 1, 2006, shall not expire as provided in section
27 37-421.

28 Sec. 3. Section 37-421.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
29 2014, is amended to read:

30 37-421.01 (1)(a) Notwithstanding any provision of section 37-407 to
31 the contrary: -

1 (i) A Nebraska resident who is deployed out of state with a branch
2 of the United States military or has been so deployed within the last
3 twelve months at the time of application shall be entitled to receive an
4 annual combination fishing and hunting permit, habitat stamp, aquatic
5 habitat stamp, and Nebraska migratory waterfowl stamp ~~on a one-time basis~~
6 upon returning to the state if the resident complies with subdivision (b)
7 of this subsection; and ÷

8 (ii) A Nebraska resident who is the spouse of a Nebraska resident
9 who is deployed out of state with a branch of the United States military
10 or has been so deployed within the last twelve months at the time of
11 application shall be entitled to receive an annual combination fishing
12 and hunting permit, habitat stamp, aquatic habitat stamp, and Nebraska
13 migratory waterfowl stamp if the spouse complies with subdivision (b) of
14 this subsection.

15 (b) The deployed resident or spouse shall:

16 (i) Submit ~~(a) Submits~~ an application to the commission with a fee
17 of five dollars; and

18 (ii) Provide ~~(b) Provides~~ to the commission evidence of the deployed
19 resident's deployment out of state.

20 (2)(a) Notwithstanding any provision of section 37-447, 37-449,
21 37-450, 37-451, or 37-457 to the contrary, a Nebraska resident who
22 purchased a big game permit and who was deployed out of state with a
23 branch of the United States military for the entire season of the hunt
24 and who was unable to use the permit shall be entitled to receive a
25 discounted permit on a one-time basis upon returning to the state if the
26 resident provides to the commission evidence of deployment.
27 Alternatively, the member of the military may request a refund of the
28 amount paid for a big game permit and the commission shall pay such
29 amount.

30 (b) For purposes of this subsection, big game means antelope, deer,
31 elk, mountain sheep, and wild turkeys.

1 (c) The commission shall establish a fee of five dollars for the
2 discounted permits authorized in this subsection.

3 (3) The commission may authorize electronic issuance of the
4 discounted permits authorized under this section.

5 (4) The commission may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations
6 that set forth the procedures for applying for, and the issuance of, the
7 discounted permits authorized in this section, including what constitutes
8 evidence of deployment to qualify for the permits.

9 Sec. 4. Original section 37-419, Reissue Revised Statutes of
10 Nebraska, and sections 37-420 and 37-421.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative
11 Supplement, 2014, are repealed.