
SENATE BILL 6688

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1 AN ACT Relating to juvenile fishing licenses; amending RCW
2 77.32.101, 77.32.161, and 77.32.360; and creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that youth under
5 fifteen years of age benefit from outdoor activities such as fishing,
6 but that such opportunities may be prohibitively expensive. The
7 legislature declares that providing fishing licenses at reduced fees is
8 a benefit not only for these youth, but to the state of Washington.

9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 77.32.101 and 1994 c 255 s 11 are each amended to read
10 as follows:

11 (1) A combination hunting and fishing license allows a resident
12 holder to hunt, and to fish for game fish throughout the state. The
13 fee for this license is twenty-nine dollars.

14 (2) A hunting license allows the holder to hunt throughout the
15 state. The fee for this license is fifteen dollars for residents and
16 one hundred fifty dollars for nonresidents.

17 (3) A fishing license allows the holder to fish for game fish
18 throughout the state. The fee for this license is seventeen dollars

1 for residents (~~(fifteen)~~) eighteen years of age or older and under
2 seventy years of age, three dollars for residents fifteen through
3 seventeen years of age or seventy years of age or older, (~~(twenty~~
4 ~~dollars for nonresidents under fifteen years of age,~~) and forty-eight
5 dollars for nonresidents fifteen years of age or older. There is no
6 fee for nonresidents under fifteen years of age.

7 (4) A steelhead fishing license allows the holder of a combination
8 hunting and fishing license or a fishing license issued under this
9 section to fish for steelhead throughout the state. The fee for this
10 license is eighteen dollars.

11 (5) A juvenile steelhead license allows residents under (~~(fifteen)~~)
12 eighteen years of age and nonresidents under (~~(fifteen)~~) eighteen years
13 of age who hold a fishing license to fish for steelhead throughout the
14 state. The fee for this license is six dollars and entitles the holder
15 to take up to five steelhead at which time another juvenile steelhead
16 license may be purchased. Any person who purchases a juvenile
17 steelhead license is prohibited from purchasing a steelhead license for
18 the same calendar year.

19 **Sec. 3.** RCW 77.32.161 and 1994 c 255 s 10 are each amended to read
20 as follows:

21 A nonresident or resident fifteen years of age or older may obtain
22 a temporary fishing license, which allows the holder to fish for game
23 fish throughout the state for either three days or for one day. The
24 fee for a three-day license is nine dollars for residents and seventeen
25 dollars for nonresidents. The fee for a one-day license is three
26 dollars for residents and seven dollars for nonresidents. The resident
27 temporary fishing license is not valid for an eight consecutive day
28 period beginning on the opening day of the lowland lake fishing season.
29 There is no fee for nonresidents under fifteen years of age.

30 **Sec. 4.** RCW 77.32.360 and 1995 c 116 s 7 are each amended to read
31 as follows:

32 (1) Each person who returns a steelhead catch record card to an
33 authorized license dealer within thirty days following the period for
34 which it was issued shall be given a credit equal to five dollars
35 towards that day's purchase of any license, permit, transport tag, or
36 stamp required by this chapter. This subsection does not apply to

1 annual steelhead catch record cards for persons under the age of
2 (~~fifteen~~) eighteen.

3 (2) Catch record cards necessary for proper management of the
4 state's game fish resources shall be administered under rules adopted
5 by the director and issued at no charge.

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