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By Senators Rasmussen, Bauer, Snyder, Oke, Rinehart, Bailey, Amondson, Sellar, L. Smith and Conner.

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1 AN ACT Relating to game and game fish; and amending RCW 77.32.230.

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

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.32.230 and 1988 c 176 s 914 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 (1) A person sixty-five years of age or older on the effective date  
6 of this section who is: (a) An honorably discharged veteran of the  
7 United States armed forces having a service-connected disability  
8 ((and)); (b) whose service-connected disability has been established as  
9 permanent by the veterans administration; and (c) who has been a  
10 resident for five years on the effective date of this section may  
11 receive upon application a state permanent hunting and fishing license  
12 free of charge. Disabled veterans applying for a free hunting and  
13 fishing license under this subsection shall provide the department with  
14 a copy of documents verifying the disability from the veteran's  
15 administration.

1       (2) A person who is: (a) An honorably discharged veteran of the  
2 United States armed forces having a service-connected disability; (b)  
3 whose service connected disabilities have been established as permanent  
4 in nature by the veterans administration; and (c) are rated from thirty  
5 to one hundred percent disabled as determined by the veterans  
6 administration and who has been a resident for five years shall receive  
7 upon application a permanent fishing and hunting license without  
8 charge.

9       Disabled veterans applying for a free fishing and hunting license  
10 under this subsection shall provide the department with a copy of  
11 documents verifying the disability from the veterans administration.

12       (3) A person seventy years of age or older who has been a resident  
13 for ten years may receive, upon application, a fishing license free of  
14 charge.

15       (~~(3)~~) (4) A blind person, or a person with a developmental  
16 disability as defined in RCW 71A.10.020 with documentation of the  
17 disability from the department of social and health services, or a  
18 physically handicapped person confined to a wheelchair may receive upon  
19 application a fishing license free of charge.

20       (~~(4)~~) (5) A blind person or a physically handicapped person  
21 confined to a wheelchair who has been issued a card for a permanent  
22 disability under RCW 46.16.381 may use that card in place of a fishing  
23 license unless tags, permits, stamps, or punchcards are required by  
24 this chapter.

25       (~~(5)~~) (6) A fishing license is not required for persons under the  
26 age of fifteen.

27       (~~(6)~~) (7) Tags, permits, stamps, and punchcards required by this  
28 chapter shall be purchased separately by persons receiving a free or  
29 reduced-fee license.