

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1786**

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**Introduced by Assembly Members Mansoor and Hagman**

February 21, 2012

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An act to amend Section 7149 of the Fish and Game Code, relating to sport fishing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1786, as introduced, Mansoor. Sport fishing: licenses.

Existing law requires every person 16 years of age or older who takes any fish, reptile, or amphibian for any purpose other than profit to first obtain a license for that purpose, with specified exceptions, and to have that license on his or her person or in his or her immediate possession when engaged in carrying out any activity authorized by the license. Existing law requires a resident or a nonresident, 16 years of age or older, upon payment of a specified fee, to be issued a sport fishing license for the period of a calendar year, or, if issued after the beginning of the year, for the remainder thereof.

This bill would instead require a resident or a nonresident, 16 years of age or older, upon payment of a fee, to be issued a sport fishing license for the period of 12 consecutive months beginning on the date specified on the license.

Existing law requires a nonresident, 16 years of age or older, upon payment of a specified fee, to be issued a sport fishing license granting the privilege to take any fish, reptile, or amphibia anywhere in this state for the period of 10 consecutive days beginning on the date specified on the license.

This bill would require that a sport fishing license for 10 consecutive days be issued to a resident, 16 years of age or older, upon payment of

a base fee, determined by the department, and would prohibit the total fee for the license from exceeding the reasonable regulatory costs incurred incident to issuing the license.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 7149 of the Fish and Game Code is  
2 amended to read:

3 7149. (a) A sport fishing license granting the privilege to take  
4 any fish, reptile, or ~~amphibia~~ *amphibian* anywhere in this state for  
5 purposes other than profit shall be issued to any of the following:

6 (1) A resident, 16 years of age or older, for the period of a  
7 calendar year, ~~or, if issued after the beginning of the year, for the~~  
8 ~~remainder thereof~~ *12 consecutive months beginning on the date*  
9 *specified on the license*, upon payment of a base fee of thirty-one  
10 dollars and twenty-five cents (\$31.25).

11 (2) A nonresident, 16 years of age or older, for the period of a  
12 calendar year, ~~or, if issued after the beginning of the year, for the~~  
13 ~~remainder thereof~~ *12 consecutive months beginning on the date*  
14 *specified on the license*, upon payment of a base fee of eighty-four  
15 dollars (\$84).

16 (3) A nonresident, 16 years of age or older, for the period of 10  
17 consecutive days beginning on the date specified on the license,  
18 upon payment of the fee set forth in paragraph (1).

19 (4) *A resident, 16 years of age or older, for the period of 10*  
20 *consecutive days beginning on the date specified on the license*  
21 *upon payment of a base fee, determined by the department. The*  
22 *total fee for the license shall not exceed the reasonable regulatory*  
23 *costs incurred incident to issuing the license.*

24 ~~(4)~~

25 (5) A resident or nonresident, 16 years of age or older, for two  
26 consecutive designated calendar days, upon payment of half of the  
27 fee set forth in paragraph (1). Notwithstanding Section 1053, more  
28 than one two-day license issued for different two-day periods may  
29 be issued to, or possessed by, a person at one time.

30 ~~(5)~~

31 (6) A resident or nonresident, 16 years of age or older, for one  
32 designated day, upon payment of a base fee of ten dollars (\$10).

1 (b) California sport fishing license stamps shall be issued by  
2 authorized license agents in the same manner as sport fishing  
3 licenses, and no compensation may be paid to the authorized  
4 license agent for issuing the stamps except as provided in Section  
5 1055.

6 (c) This section does not apply to licenses, permits, reservations,  
7 tags, or other entitlements issued through the Automated License  
8 Data System.

9 (d) The base fees specified in this section are applicable to the  
10 2004 license year, and shall be adjusted annually thereafter  
11 pursuant to Section 713.

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