

# HB2704



## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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HB2704

Introduced 2/21/2013, by Rep. Brandon W. Phelps

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

520 ILCS 5/3.1-5

Amends the Wildlife Code. Removes language that provides that the Apprentice Hunter License shall be a one-time, non-renewable license. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning wildlife.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Wildlife Code is amended by changing Section  
5 3.1-5 as follows:

6 (520 ILCS 5/3.1-5)

7 Sec. 3.1-5. Apprentice Hunter License Program.

8 (a) Beginning 120 days after the effective date of this  
9 amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly, the Department  
10 shall establish an Apprentice Hunter License Program. The  
11 purpose of this Program shall be to extend limited hunting  
12 privileges, in lieu of obtaining a valid hunting license, to  
13 persons interested in learning about hunting sports.

14 (b) Any resident or nonresident may apply to the Department  
15 for an Apprentice Hunter License. The Apprentice Hunter License  
16 shall ~~be a one time, non renewable license that shall~~ expire on  
17 the March 31 following the date of issuance.

18 (c) For persons aged 17 and under, the Apprentice Hunter  
19 License shall entitle the licensee to hunt while supervised by  
20 a validly licensed resident or nonresident parent, guardian, or  
21 grandparent. For persons 18 or older, the Apprentice Hunter  
22 License shall entitle the licensee to hunt while supervised by  
23 a validly licensed resident or nonresident hunter who is 21

1 years of age or older. Possession of an Apprentice Hunter  
2 License shall serve in lieu of a valid hunting license, but  
3 does not exempt the licensee from compliance with the  
4 requirements of this Code and any rules and regulations adopted  
5 pursuant to this Code.

6 (d) In order to be approved for the Apprentice Hunter  
7 License, the applicant must request an Apprentice Hunter  
8 License on a form designated and made available by the  
9 Department and submit a \$7 fee, which shall be separate from  
10 and additional to any other stamp, permit, tag, or license fee  
11 that may be required for hunting under this Code. The  
12 Department shall adopt suitable administrative rules that are  
13 reasonable and necessary for the administration of the program,  
14 but shall not require any certificate of competency or other  
15 hunting education as a condition of the Apprentice Hunter  
16 License.

17 (Source: P.A. 95-739, eff. 7-17-08; 96-1213, eff. 7-22-10.)

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
19 becoming law.