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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 775

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Simonaire” and substitute “Senators Simonaire, Rosapepe, Bates, Young, Zucker, Conway, Waugh, Nathan-Pulliam, and Pinsky”; in line 6, after “by” insert “a Gold Star recipient,”; and strike beginning with “that” in line 18 down through “Fund” in line 19 and substitute “the Recreational License Donation Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund; specifying the purpose of the Fund; requiring the Secretary of Natural Resources to administer the Fund; requiring the State Treasurer to hold the Fund and the Comptroller to account for the Fund; specifying the contents of the Fund; specifying the purpose for which the Fund may be used; providing for the investment of money in and expenditures from the Fund; defining a certain term”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 2, after “(A)” insert “IN THIS SECTION, “GOLD STAR RECIPIENT” MEANS A RECIPIENT OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE GOLD STAR FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES, PARENTS, AND NEXT OF KIN OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN COMBAT.”

(B)”;

in lines 6, 17, 19, 24, and 29, strike “(B)”, “(C)”, “(D)”, “(E)”, and “(F)”, respectively, and substitute “(C)”, “(D)”, “(E)”, “(F)”, and “(G)”, respectively; in line 7, after “BY” insert “A GOLD STAR RECIPIENT,”; and in line 12, after “FOR” insert “GOLD STAR RECIPIENTS,”.

On page 3, in line 1, strike “(G)” and substitute “(H)”; and strike beginning with “FUNDS” in line 1 down through “ARTICLE” in line 3 and substitute:

(Over)

“(1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, “FUND” MEANS THE RECREATIONAL LICENSE DONATION FUND.

(2) THERE IS A RECREATIONAL LICENSE DONATION FUND.

(3) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND IS TO PROVIDE RECREATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR GOLD STAR RECIPIENTS, DISABLED VETERANS, DISABLED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, AND PERMANENTLY DISABLED PERSONS WHO REQUIRE THE USE OF A WHEELCHAIR.

(4) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.

(5) (I) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

(II) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY, AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.

(6) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:

(I) REVENUE COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURCHASE AND DONATION OF RECREATIONAL HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSES OR STAMPS UNDER THIS SECTION;

(II) MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THE STATE BUDGET TO THE FUND; AND

(III) ANY OTHER MONEY FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE ACCEPTED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FUND.

**(7) THE FUND MAY BE USED ONLY FOR DONATED RECREATIONAL HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSES OR STAMPS FOR USE BY GOLD STAR RECIPIENTS, DISABLED VETERANS, DISABLED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, OR PERMANENTLY DISABLED PERSONS WHO REQUIRE THE USE OF A WHEELCHAIR.**

**(8) (I) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL INVEST THE MONEY OF THE FUND IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER STATE MONEY MAY BE INVESTED.**

**(II) ANY INTEREST EARNINGS OF THE FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.**

**(9) EXPENDITURES FROM THE FUND MAY BE MADE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET.**

**(10) MONEY EXPENDED FROM THE FUND FOR DONATED RECREATIONAL LICENSES OR STAMPS IS SUPPLEMENTAL TO AND IS NOT INTENDED TO TAKE THE PLACE OF FUNDING THAT OTHERWISE WOULD BE APPROPRIATED FOR RECREATIONAL LICENSES OR STAMPS FOR USE BY GOLD STAR RECIPIENTS, DISABLED VETERANS, DISABLED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, OR PERMANENTLY DISABLED PERSONS WHO REQUIRE THE USE OF A WHEELCHAIR”.**