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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, a person who is totally
9 disabled, upon payment of a \$1 issuance fee, may
10 obtain a special disabled person's fishing license
11 that is valid on a continuous basis during the
12 period of total disability. There is no provision
13 to allow a special disabled person's hunting
14 license in a similar manner.

15 This bill would establish a special disabled
16 person's hunting license to be valid on a
17 continuous basis during the period of total
18 disability upon the payment of a \$1 issuance fee.

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20 A BILL
21 TO BE ENTITLED
22 AN ACT
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24 To establish a special disabled person's hunting
25 license to be valid on a continuous basis during the period of
26 total disability; and to provide for an issuance fee.

27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 Section 1. (a) Any person who is totally disabled
2 and who has been a bona fide resident of the state for not
3 less than six months next preceding the date of application,
4 upon the payment of an issuance fee of one dollar (\$1), may
5 procure a special disabled person's hunting license in the
6 following manner: The applicant shall file, in the county in
7 which he or she resides, with the person who is duly
8 authorized to issue licenses, an application stating his or
9 her age, place of residence, post office address, and length
10 of residence in this state. The application shall have
11 attached a sworn statement by a licensed physician or
12 chiropractor of this state stating that the applicant is
13 totally disabled.

14 (b) The hunting licenses issued pursuant to this
15 section shall be valid on a continuous basis during the period
16 of total disability. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any
17 conservation enforcement officer, upon reasonable belief that
18 the license holder is no longer totally disabled, may request
19 the holder to obtain a recertification of disability, which
20 request shall be in writing. Upon the failure of the holder to
21 furnish the recertification of disability within 90 days of
22 receipt of request, the holder's license shall be void and
23 shall be confiscated by the Department of Conservation and
24 Natural Resources, Game and Fish Division.

25 (c) The issuing officer or authority shall be
26 allowed an issuance fee of one dollar (\$1) for each license
27 issued. In counties in which the judge of probate or issuing

1 officer is on a fee system, the issuing fee shall be retained
2 by the judge of probate or issuing officer, and in a county in
3 which the judge of probate is on a salary basis, the issuing
4 fee shall be paid into the county treasury. These licenses
5 shall not be issued by special agents. The name of the
6 physician certifying to the disability of the licensee shall
7 be written upon the license. No application shall be
8 considered without furnishing the required medical statement.

9 (d) The licenses issued pursuant to this section
10 shall be in lieu of the annual resident hunting licenses
11 provided in Section 9-11-44, Code of Alabama 1975, but shall
12 not supplant any additional license or requirement to hunt on
13 a state-operated wildlife management area, as provided in
14 Section 9-11-45, Code of Alabama 1975, or to hunt migratory
15 waterfowl in this state, as provided in Section 9-11-433, Code
16 of Alabama 1975.

17 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
18 first day of the third month following its passage and
19 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.