

1 SB229
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3 By Senator Allen
4 RFD: Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry
5 First Read: 21-JAN-14

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4 ENROLLED, An Act,

5 To amend Section 9-11-59 of the Code of Alabama
6 1975, relating to licensing of persons for the trapping of
7 fur-bearing animals, to further provide for license fees and
8 for the tags used to identify traps being used for trapping.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

10 Section 1. Section 9-11-59 of the Code of Alabama
11 1975, is amended to read as follows:

12 "§9-11-59.

13 "(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to take,
14 capture, or kill, or to attempt to take, capture, or kill for
15 commercial purposes by any means or device any of the
16 fur-bearing animals protected by the laws or regulations of
17 this state without first procuring a license therefor, to be
18 issued in the same manner as is provided for hunting and
19 fishing licenses. Any person who has been a bona fide resident
20 of this state for ~~six months~~ 90 days next preceding may
21 procure a resident trapping license by paying the sum of ~~\$7.65~~
22 twenty dollars (\$20). Any person who has not been a bona fide
23 resident of this state for ~~six months~~ 90 days next preceding
24 may procure a nonresident trapping license by paying the ~~sum~~
25 ~~of \$500.15~~ amount charged a resident of Alabama for a similar

1 license in the nonresident state, except that the license fee
2 for a nonresident in no event shall be less than 10 times the
3 license fee charged by the department for a trapping license
4 for an Alabama resident. ~~Any resident or nonresident when~~
5 ~~trapping for beaver only shall not be required to pay a~~
6 ~~license fee.~~ A trapping license shall be valid only during the
7 season when fur-bearing animals may be legally taken. The
8 license fees provided in this section and the issuance fees
9 for the issuance of licenses shall be subject to adjustment as
10 provided in Section 9-11-68.

11 " (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to trap in
12 the State of Alabama without identifying each trap with a
13 ~~plastic or metal tag bearing the license number, name, and~~
14 ~~address of the owner; provided, however, that traps used~~
15 ~~solely for beaver shall be identified in a like manner, but~~
16 ~~the tag shall bear only the name and address of the owner.~~
17 Should any law enforcement officer of this state or employee
18 of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources of the
19 State of Alabama discover any trapping device being used in
20 violation of the terms of this section, ~~he or she~~ the officer
21 shall confiscate the device and it shall become the property
22 of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and
23 shall be disposed of as ordered by the Commissioner of
24 Conservation and Natural Resources.

1 "(c) A violation of this section or failure to fully
2 comply therewith shall constitute a misdemeanor and, upon
3 conviction, the person violating same or failing to comply
4 therewith shall be punished by a fine of not less than two
5 hundred fifty dollars (\$250) nor more than two thousand
6 dollars (\$2,000) for each offense."

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

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris
Secretary

House of Representatives
Passed: 11-MAR-14

By: Senator Allen