

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 260

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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING NONRESIDENT FISHING LICENSE LAWS; REVISING
6 FEES; REVISING THE NUMBER OF DAYS CERTAIN LICENSES ARE VALID; AMENDING SECTIONS 87-2-
7 302, 87-2-304, AND 87-2-307, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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11 **Section 1.** Section 87-2-302, MCA, is amended to read:

12 **"87-2-302. Class B--nonresident fishing license.** Any person not a resident, as defined in 87-2-102,
13 upon payment of the sum of ~~\$86~~ \$100 to any agent of the department authorized to issue fishing and hunting
14 licenses, is entitled to a Class B license that entitles the holder to fish with hook and line as authorized by the
15 rules and regulations of the department."

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17 **Section 2.** Section 87-2-304, MCA, is amended to read:

18 **"87-2-304. Class B-4--~~two~~ one-day nonresident fishing license.** (1) Any person not a resident, as
19 defined in 87-2-102, upon payment of the sum of ~~\$25~~ \$14 to any agent of the department authorized to issue
20 fishing and hunting licenses, is entitled to a ~~2-day~~ 1-day nonresident fishing license that authorizes the holder to
21 fish with hook and line, as prescribed by rules and regulations of the department, for ~~2~~ 1 calendar ~~days~~ day as
22 indicated on the license.

23 (2) When purchasing a license pursuant to this section, the applicant shall indicate, and the license
24 must state, on which calendar date the license will be used. There is no limit on the number of 1-day licenses a
25 person may purchase. If the person is purchasing multiple 1-day licenses at one time, the department may
26 issue a single license listing the multiple calendar dates for which the license is valid. The dates need not be
27 consecutive."

1 **Section 3.** Section 87-2-307, MCA, is amended to read:

2 "**87-2-307. Class B-5--~~40~~ five-day nonresident fishing license.** (1) Any person not a resident, as
3 defined in 87-2-102, upon payment of the sum of \$56 to any agent of the department authorized to issue fishing
4 and hunting licenses, is entitled to a ~~40-day~~ 5-day nonresident fishing license that authorizes the holder to fish
5 with hook and line, as prescribed by rules and regulations of the department, for ~~40~~ 5 consecutive days ~~as~~
6 ~~indicated on the license.~~

7 (2) When purchasing a license pursuant to this section, the applicant shall indicate, and the license
8 must state, on which calendar dates the license will be used. There is no limit on the number of 5-day licenses
9 a person may purchase. If the person is purchasing multiple 5-day licenses at one time, the department may
10 issue a single license listing the calendar dates for which the license is valid. The 5-day periods need not be
11 consecutive."

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13 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. [This act] is effective March 1, 2022.

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