

HOUSE BILL No. 4358

March 19, 2015, Introduced by Rep. Goike and referred to the Committee on Tourism and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled
"Natural resources and environmental protection act,"
by amending section 43537 (MCL 324.43537), as amended by 2013 PA
108.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 43537. (1) ~~Until March 1, 2014, a resident who is~~
2 ~~declared legally blind is eligible to purchase a senior restricted~~
3 ~~or senior all-species fishing license. Beginning March 1, 2014, a~~ A
4 resident who is declared legally blind is eligible to purchase a
5 senior all-species fishing license.

6 (2) A disabled veteran is eligible to obtain any resident
7 license under this part for which a lottery is not required free of
8 charge.

9 (3) The department may demand proof of eligibility under
10 subsection (1), (2), or (4). The licensee, when taking aquatic

1 species or hunting, shall possess proof of his or her eligibility
2 under subsection (1), (2), or (4), as applicable, and shall furnish
3 the proof upon the request of a peace officer.

4 (4) The department shall process licenses issued under this
5 section in the same manner as licenses issued to senior citizens
6 for purposes of receiving appropriations from the legislature under
7 section 43546.

8 (5) As used in this section, "disabled veteran" means either
9 of the following:

10 (a) A resident who has been determined by the United States
11 ~~department of veterans affairs~~ **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS** to be
12 permanently and totally disabled as a result of military service
13 and entitled to veterans' benefits at the 100% rate. ~~, for a~~
14 ~~disability other than blindness.~~

15 (b) A resident rated by the United States ~~department of~~
16 ~~veterans affairs~~ **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS** as individually
17 unemployable.

18 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect March 1,
19 2016.