## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 982

Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY HICKERNELL, PICKETT, MURT, RYAN, BERNSTINE, KULIK, CAUSER, CALTAGIRONE, McNEILL, STAATS, ZIMMERMAN, MILLARD, JAMES, WARREN, GOODMAN, SAYLOR, McCLINTON, HEFFLEY, HILL-EVANS, MENTZER, MARKOSEK, MULLINS, MASSER, GILLEN, DeLUCA AND CIRESI, MARCH 26, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, MARCH 26, 2019

## AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- Statutes, in fishing licenses, further providing for
- 3 exemptions from license requirements.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 2709(b) of Title 30 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 2709. Exemptions from license requirements.
- 9 \* \* \*
- 10 (b) Persons who are blind or have certain physical or mental
- 11 impairments. -- The provisions of this chapter do not apply to
- 12 those persons who are totally blind, are paraplegic or similarly
- 13 <u>disabled in the lower extremities</u> or have such severe physical
- 14 or mental impairments that they are unable to cast or retrieve a
- 15 line or bait hooks and remove fish if only one legal device is
- 16 used and the person who is blind or has physical or mental
- 17 impairments as described in this section is within ten feet of

- 1 the device being used. The provisions of this chapter also do
- 2 not apply to the attendant of the person who is blind or has
- 3 physical or mental impairments described in this section while
- 4 assisting in using the device.
- 5 \* \* \*
- 6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.