

By Mr. LaFontaine of Gardner, petition of Raymond M. LaFontaine for legislation to permit the sale of sporting licenses to be sold from sporting goods stores. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-One.

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE SALE OF SPORTING LICENSES TO BE SOLD FROM SPORTING GOODS STORES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 131 is hereby amended by striking out section 12
2 and inserting in place thereof the following section 12: —

3 § 12. Same Subject; Issuance, Form and Contents; Display,
4 etc., of License.

5 Upon the application of any person entitled to receive a
6 sporting, hunting, fishing or trapping license and upon payment
7 of the fee specified therefor in this chapter, and the furnishing
8 of an affidavit by any non-resident desiring to be classified
9 under the first paragraph of section eleven, the director, the
10 clerk of any city or town, and persons employed in the
11 department of natural resources, the department of commerce
12 and the division of fisheries and game and authorized by the
13 director to issue such licenses, and any other persons author-
14 ized by the director to issue such licenses at their place of
15 business located within or without the commonwealth provided
16 such persons are duly bonded, shall issue to such person a
17 sporting, hunting, fishing or trapping license, as the case may
18 be, in such form as the director shall prescribe and furnish.
19 Subject to existing laws, a sporting license shall authorize the
20 licensee to hunt birds and mammals and to fish, a fishing
21 license shall authorize the licensee to fish only, a hunting
22 license shall authorize the licensee to hunt only, and a trapping

23 license shall authorize the licensee to trap mammals only. Each
24 license issued hereunder shall bear a written declaration, signed
25 by the licensee, under penalty of perjury, that data and state-
26 ments contained in the license are true, and such other data as
27 the director requires. The holder of a hunting, fishing, sporting
28 or trapping license shall, while hunting, fishing or trapping,
29 carry on his person and wear in a visible manner on his outer
30 clothing his license authorizing him to do so in accordance
31 with such rules and regulations as the director may from time
32 to time prescribe. (Added by 1967, 802, § 1, approved Dec.
33 20, 1967, effective, by act of Governor, Dec. 21, 1967.)