

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

Senate Bill 604 Printer's No. 597

Prime Sponsor: Wiley

Committee: Game and Fisheries

SYNOPSIS:

Amends Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special licenses and permits, further providing for Lake Erie Fishing permits.

SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 604 allows for a broader allocation of proceeds from Lake Erie revenues.

Currently, prior to fishing in Lake Erie, Presque Isle Bay, or its tributaries, an angler must purchase a special permit in addition to a fishing license. The proceeds from sales of this permit are deposited into a restricted account within the Fish Fund, to be used "to provide public fishing access or to protect or improve fish habitat" in those waterways.

Senate Bill 604 amends Title 30 (Fish) to provide that the funds generated "may also be used for other projects that support public fishing on or at Lake Erie, Presque Isle Bay and their tributaries."

Effective Date: Effective Immediately

BILL HISTORY:

Referred to GAME AND FISHERIES, March 6, 2015

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