

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

Senate Bill No. 414

(By Senators Laird and Miller)

[Originating in the Committee on Natural Resources;
reported March 13, 2013.]

A BILL to amend and reenact §20-2-32 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to issuing hunting and fishing licenses; and clarifying who may be designated a license-issuing authority.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §20-2-32 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.

§20-2-32. Issuance of licenses; duplicate licenses.

1 (a) The director may designate the clerk of the county
2 commission ~~in each county and or~~ other persons, ~~designated~~
3 ~~by the director shall be~~ pursuant to section thirty-three of this
4 article, as license-issuing authorities ~~Each license-issuing~~
5 ~~authority shall issue~~ authorized to issue a license to a license
6 an applicant if ~~in the opinion of the authority, the~~ license
7 applicant is legally entitled to obtain the license ~~applied for~~
8 and pays the proper fee.

9 (b) ~~All~~ Materials and supplies ~~necessary~~ for the issuance
10 of licenses shall be furnished by the director to each ~~person~~
11 ~~authorized to issue licenses~~ license-issuing authority as
12 needed.

13 (c) Each license shall bear a serial number and shall be
14 signed by the licensee. The ~~issuing~~ license-issuing authority
15 shall keep an accurate record ~~in the form and manner~~
16 ~~prescribed by the director, of all licenses issued and of all~~
17 ~~money fees~~ collected ~~as license fees~~ as prescribed by the
18 director.

19 (d) Any license-issuing authority may issue a duplicate
20 license to replace a lost, destroyed or damaged license upon
21 receipt of a verified application ~~duly~~ executed by the original
22 ~~license holder~~ licensee and ~~the~~ payment ~~to the issuing~~
23 ~~authority~~ of a duplicate license fee of \$1.

(NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to update the law pertaining to the issuance of hunting and fishing licenses. It clarifies who are license issuing authorities.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.)