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NOTE

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21 by the director and persons purchasing electronically issued licenses may be assessed, in
22 addition to the license fee prescribed in this article, an electronic issuance fee to be prescribed by
23 the director: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any provision of this code to the contrary, an
24 electronic issuance fee of at least \$2 shall be assessed on each ~~Go-Wild~~ electronic licensing
25 system transaction. The electronic issuance fee shall be dedicated to the administration and
26 maintenance of ~~Go-Wild~~ the electronic licensing system. The director may propose rules for
27 legislative approval in accordance with §29A-3-1 *et seq.* of this code increasing the license issuing
28 fees authorized by this section.

29 (c) In lieu of the license issuance fee prescribed in subsection (b) of this section, the
30 director shall propose rules for legislative approval in accordance with ~~the provisions of~~ §29A-3-1
31 *et seq.* of this code governing the application for and issuance of licenses by telephone and other
32 electronic methods.

33 (d) The director may propose rules for legislative approval in accordance with ~~the~~
34 ~~provisions~~ §29A-3-1 *et seq.* of this code governing the management of issuing agents.

35 (e) The director may establish an auto-renewal program through which purchasers of
36 eligible wildlife licenses, stamps, and permits under the jurisdiction of the division may select to
37 enroll in the automatic renewal of the same selection of licenses, stamps, and permits in
38 subsequent years. Eligible licenses, stamps, and permits renewed through this program will not
39 be assessed the electronic license fee referenced in subsection (b) of this section: *Provided*, That
40 the fee is paid when the original license, stamp, or permit was purchased in the electronic license
41 system and enrollment in the auto-renewal program accompanied the sale.

42 (1) Licenses, stamps, and permits purchased through this program may qualify for
43 discounts on fees established at the discretion of the director.

44 (2) The director may propose rules for legislative approval in accordance with §29A-3-1 *et*
45 *seq.* of this code.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to establish an auto-renewal licensing program that is eligible for discounts on licensing fees.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.