

AN ACT concerning fish.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Fish and Aquatic Life Code is amended by adding Section 20-56 as follows:

(515 ILCS 5/20-56 new)

Sec. 20-56. First-time fishing license. Except as otherwise provided in this Code, for sport fishing devices as defined in Section 10-95 or spearing devices as defined in Section 10-110, any resident of Illinois who is 26 years of age or older who has not purchased a resident fishing license in the past 10 years is eligible to receive a one-time annual resident fishing license for a fee of \$5. Any nonresident who is 26 years of age or older and has not purchased a nonresident fishing license in the past 10 years is eligible to receive a one-time annual sport fishing license for a fee of \$10.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 2024.