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A bill

TO AMEND the south carolina code of laws by amending SECTION 50-9-30, RELATING TO HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO ALLOW FOR AN ADOPTED CHILD TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A LIFETIME RECREATIONAL LICENSE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 50-9-520, RELATING TO LIFETIME COMBINATION LICENSE FEES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN ADOPTED CHILD MAY OBTAIN A COMBINATION LICENSE AT NO COST.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 50‑9‑30(A)(2) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

 (2) a lifetime recreational license, “resident” means:

 (a) a United States citizen who has been domiciled in this State for one hundred eighty consecutive days or more immediately preceding the date of application; or

 (b) an adopted child upon approval of the adoption petition if the:

 (i)adoptive parents are South Carolina residents; and

 (ii) child’s birth mother is or has been a legal South Carolina resident;

SECTION 2. Section 50‑ 9‑520 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding a subsection to read:

 (D) An adopted child who meets the residency requirements provided in Section 50‑9‑30(A)(2) may obtain a lifetime combination license at no cost.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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