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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Authorizes issuance of group license for angling or shellfish to nonprofit organization serving veterans or certain armed forces members.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to State Department of Fish and Wildlife licenses; amending ORS 497.162; and declaring
3 an emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 497.162 is amended to read:

6 497.162. (1) Upon application of the Oregon Youth Authority, the Oregon Health Authority or
7 the Department of Human Services, the State Fish and Wildlife Commission shall issue, without fee,
8 a license to angle for the temporary use of any person in a state institution as described in ORS
9 179.610, any student in a youth correction facility or related camps or programs operated by the
10 Oregon Youth Authority, any child placed by the department and under the care of a foster home
11 or a child-caring agency licensed, certified or otherwise authorized by the department under ORS
12 418.205 to 418.327, any person in an alternative to state hospitalization program as described in ORS
13 430.630 (2)(b) or (c), or any person receiving services under ORS 430.664. The licenses issued under
14 this subsection shall be in bearer form and, subject to applicable laws and regulations relating to
15 angling, shall be used as the agency applying for the license directs.

16 (2) Upon application of the Department of Human Services, the commission shall issue, without
17 fee, a license to take shellfish for the temporary use of any child placed by the department and un-
18 der the care of a foster home or a child-caring agency licensed, certified or otherwise authorized
19 by the department under ORS 418.205 to 418.327. The licenses issued under this subsection shall be
20 in bearer form and, subject to applicable laws and regulations relating to taking shellfish, shall be
21 used as the department directs.

22 *[(3) Upon application of the director of any veteran's administration hospital or domiciliary within*
23 *this state, the commission shall issue, without fee, to each hospital or domiciliary 30 licenses to angle*
24 *or to take shellfish for the temporary use of any person who is a patient or resident in the hospital or*
25 *domiciliary. The licenses issued under this subsection shall be in bearer form and, subject to applicable*
26 *laws and regulations relating to angling and to taking shellfish, shall be used as the director of the*

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 *hospital or domiciliary provides.]*

2 (3)(a) As used in this subsection, “armed forces members” means active duty members
3 of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps or Navy.

4 (b) Upon application of the director of a veteran’s administration hospital or domiciliary
5 within this state, or by the director of a nonprofit organization in this state that serves
6 armed forces members whose duty station is a warrior transition unit or serves veterans,
7 the commission shall issue, without fee, to the hospital, domiciliary or organization a group
8 license for use by patients or other recipients of hospital, domiciliary or organization ser-
9 vices to angle or take shellfish during hospital, domiciliary or organization excursions. A
10 group license issued under this subsection shall be in bearer form and, subject to applicable
11 laws and regulations relating to angling or taking shellfish, shall be used as the director of
12 the hospital, domiciliary or organization directs. Patients or other recipients of hospital,
13 domiciliary or organization services who participate in angling or the taking of shellfish un-
14 der a group license issued under this subsection are not required to have any individual li-
15 cense, permit, tag, endorsement or other authorization for that angling or taking.

16 (c) The group license must be in the possession of a hospital, domiciliary or organization
17 staff member accompanying the participants angling or taking shellfish under the group li-
18 cense. A group license issued to a hospital, domiciliary or nonprofit organization under this
19 subsection shall have a term of one year. A patient or other recipient of hospital, domiciliary
20 or organization services may not participate in more than three group license excursions in
21 a year.

22 (d) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife may suspend or cancel a group license is-
23 sued under this subsection if the holder of the group license ceases to qualify under this
24 subsection or violates a commission rule adopted under this section.

25 (4) The commission may adopt rules for the administration and enforcement of this sec-
26 tion.

27 **SECTION 2.** This 2020 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
28 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2020 Act takes effect
29 on its passage.