

CHAPTER 75
HOUSE BILL No. 2573

AN ACT concerning wildlife and parks; relating to requirements for persons designated to assist disabled licensees; amending K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 32-933 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 32-933 is hereby amended to read as follows: 32-933. (a) Any person having a permanent physical or visual disability such that the person cannot safely hunt or fish in accordance with law and rules and regulations of the department, as certified by a person licensed to practice the healing arts in any state or a person licensed to practice optometry in any state, shall be eligible to obtain a disability assistance permit. The permit shall allow the permitholder to designate another person to take, on behalf of and while accompanied by the permitholder, the permitholder's legal limit of game or fish. ~~The person designated shall hold all licenses, permits, stamps or other issues of the department required for the activity being engaged in and~~ *The person designated by the permitholder shall not be required to hold any licenses, permits, stamps or any other issues of the department otherwise required for the activity being engaged in the permitholder but shall remain subject to all other laws and rules and regulations of the department for the activity being engaged in. The permitholder shall accompany into the field and be in close proximity to the person designated by the permitholder. The person designated by the permitholder shall not be a person whose fishing, hunting or furharvesting license is currently suspended, restricted or revoked.* On the determination of the secretary, the disability assistance permit may designate the hunting or fishing activity for which assistance to the permitholder may be provided.

(b) The secretary shall adopt, in accordance with K.S.A. 32-805, and amendments thereto, rules and regulations providing for the approval of applicants for permits pursuant to subsection (a) and for the issuance of such permits.

(c) Falsely obtaining or using a permit authorized by this section is a class C misdemeanor.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 32-933 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Approved April 14, 2004.
