

1-1 By: Raney (Senate Sponsor - Buckingham) H.B. No. 1699
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 19, 2021;
 1-3 April 21, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Water,
 1-4 Agriculture & Rural Affairs; May 4, 2021, reported favorably by the
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 4, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the taking of unbanded pen-reared pheasant and quail by
 1-20 certain landowners.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Chapter 42, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended
 1-23 by adding Section 42.0211 to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 42.0211. TAKING OF UNBANDED PEN-REARED PHEASANT OR
 1-25 QUAIL BY CERTAIN LANDOWNERS. (a) This section applies only to:

1-26 (1) noncommercial activity; and
 1-27 (2) the taking of pheasant or quail on a property of at
 1-28 least five contiguous acres.

1-29 (b) Notwithstanding any other law requiring the banding of a
 1-30 bird, a person, or the person's guest when accompanied by the
 1-31 person, may take on the person's property unbanded pen-reared
 1-32 pheasant or quail.

1-33 (c) Nothing in this section:

1-34 (1) affects the requirement to acquire a license under
 1-35 Section 45.001 for the propagation of game birds; or

1-36 (2) authorizes a person to:
 1-37 (A) exceed a bag limit for pheasant or quail; or
 1-38 (B) take pheasant or quail during a closed
 1-39 season.

1-40 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-41 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-42 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-43 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-44 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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