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H.B. No. 553

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to exempting certain individuals from general fishing  
3 license fees.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Sections 46.004(b) and (c), Parks and Wildlife  
6 Code, are amended to read as follows:

7 (b) The commission may establish a lower fee or waive the  
8 fee or license requirement for:

9 (1) a resident who has a general commercial  
10 fisherman's license of this state;

11 (2) a resident who is blind as defined by Section  
12 94.001, Human Resources Code;

13 (3) a [~~resident or~~] nonresident who is under 17 years  
14 old; or

15 (4) a [~~resident or~~] nonresident who is 65 years old or  
16 over.

17 (c) The commission shall waive the fee for:

18 (1) a resident who is under 17 years old;

19 (2) a resident who is 65 years old or older; and

20 (3) a qualified disabled veteran as defined by Section  
21 42.012.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.