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H.B. No. 2351

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to certain fees collected by the Parks and Wildlife Department.

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

SECTION 1. Section 11.032, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(b) The department shall deposit to the credit of the game, fish, and water safety account all revenue, less allowable costs, from the following sources:

(1) all types of fishing licenses and stamps and shrimping licenses, except as provided by Section 77.120;

(2) all types of hunting licenses and stamps;

(3) trapping licenses and other licenses relating to the taking, propagation, and sale of fur-bearing animals or their pelts;

(4) sale of marl, sand, gravel, shell, and mudshell;

(5) oyster bed rentals and permits;

(6) federal funds received for fish and wildlife research, management, development and conservation, resource protection, and law enforcement, unless the funds are received for the specific purposes of Subchapter F, Chapter 77;

(7) sale of property, less advertising costs, purchased from this account or a special fund or account that is now

1 part of this account;

2 (8) fines and penalties collected for violations of a
3 law pertaining to the protection and conservation of wild birds,
4 wild fowl, wild animals, fish, shrimp, oysters, game birds and
5 animals, fur-bearing animals, alligators, and any other wildlife
6 resources of this state;

7 (9) sale of rough fish by the department;

8 (10) fees for importation permits;

9 (11) fees from supplying fish for or placing fish in
10 water located on private property;

11 (12) sale of seized pelts;

12 (13) sale or lease of grazing rights to and the
13 products from game preserves, sanctuaries, and management areas;

14 (14) contracts for the removal of fur-bearing animals
15 and reptiles from wildlife management areas;

16 (15) vessel [~~motorboat~~] registration fees;

17 (16) vessel [~~motorboat~~] manufacturer or dealer
18 licensing fees [~~registration fee~~];

19 (17) fines or penalties imposed by a court for
20 violation of water safety laws contained in Chapter 31 of this code;

21 (18) alligator hunter's or alligator buyer's licenses;

22 (19) sale of alligators or any part of an alligator by
23 the department;

24 (20) fees and revenue collected under Section
25 11.027(b) or (c) of this code that are associated with the
26 conservation of fish and wildlife; [~~and~~]

27 (21) any other source provided by law; and

1 (22) vessel and outboard motor titling fees.

2 (c) Not later than the 10th day of each month the department
3 shall transfer 15 percent of all amounts collected during the
4 previous month from sources described by Subsection (b)(15), (16),
5 or (22) to the state parks account.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.