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H.B. No. 2351

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

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

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

5 SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 11.032, Parks and  
6 Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 (b) The department shall deposit to the credit of the game,  
8 fish, and water safety account all revenue, less allowable costs,  
9 or the percentage of revenue prescribed by this subsection, less  
10 allowable costs, from the following sources:

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

13 (2) all types of hunting licenses and stamps;

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

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

18 (5) oyster bed rentals and permits;

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

23 (7) sale of property, less advertising costs,  
24 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) 85 percent of the total amount of collected  
17 motorboat registration fees;

18 (16) 85 percent of the total amount of collected  
19 motorboat manufacturer or dealer registration fees [~~fee~~];

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

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

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

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

1           (21) any other source provided by law.

2           SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 11.035, Parks and  
3 Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

4           (b) The department shall deposit to the credit of the state  
5 parks account all revenue, less allowable costs, or the percentage  
6 of revenue prescribed by this subsection, less allowable costs,  
7 received from the following sources:

8           (1) grants or operation of concessions in state parks  
9 or fishing piers;

10           (2) publications on state parks, state historic sites,  
11 or state scientific areas;

12           (3) fines or penalties received from violations of  
13 regulations governing parks issued pursuant to Subchapter B,  
14 Chapter 13, of this code;

15           (4) fees and revenue collected under Section 11.027(b)  
16 or (c) of this code that are associated with state park lands;

17           (5) \$1,125,000 per month and 40 percent of the amount  
18 above \$27 million per year of credits made to the department under  
19 Section 151.801, Tax Code; ~~and~~

20           (6) 15 percent of the total amount of collected  
21 motorboat registration fees;

22           (7) 15 percent of the total amount of collected  
23 motorboat manufacturer or dealer registration fees; and

24           (8) any other source provided by law.

25           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.