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H.B. No. 2470

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to funding license buyback programs of the Parks and  
3 Wildlife Department.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 12, Parks and Wildlife  
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 12.009 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 12.009. FUNDING FOR LICENSE BUYBACK PROGRAMS. (a) If  
8 money is available, the department shall increase the allocations  
9 of the license buyback programs under Sections 47.081, 77.119, and  
10 78.111 by \$2 million for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1,  
11 2003.

12 (b) The department may finance the increase in funding under  
13 Subsection (a) by donations, grants, or any money appropriated by  
14 the legislature or otherwise available for the programs. The  
15 department shall actively solicit donations and apply for any  
16 available grants to finance the increase.

17 (c) This section expires September 1, 2005.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend HB 2470, As introduced, by striking the last sentence of Section 1(b) and inserting in lieu there of the following:

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