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H.B. No. 342

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to exempting certain individuals from general fishing license fees.

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

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

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

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

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

(3) a ~~resident or~~ nonresident who is under 17 years old; or

(4) a ~~resident or~~ nonresident who is 65 years old or over.

(c) The commission shall waive the fee for:

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

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

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

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 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, 2005.