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H.B. No. 3844

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3844:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

2 relating to the discharge of certain weapons in or on the beds or
3 banks of navigable rivers or streams in certain counties; providing
4 a criminal penalty.

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

6 SECTION 1. The heading to Chapter 284, Parks and Wildlife
7 Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 CHAPTER 284. DIMMIT, EDWARDS, FRIO, IRION, KENEDY, KIMBLE,
9 LLANO, MASON, MAVERICK, REAL, UVALDE, AND ZAVALA COUNTIES

10 SECTION 2. Section 284.001, Parks and Wildlife Code, is
11 amended by amending Subsections (b) and (d) and adding Subsection
12 (f) to read as follows:

13 (b) This section applies only to a navigable river or stream
14 located wholly or partly in Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, Irion, Kenedy,
15 Kimble, Llano, Mason, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, or Zavala County.

16 (d) This section does not apply to:

17 (1) an individual acting in the scope of the
18 individual's duties as a peace officer or department employee; [~~or~~]

19 (2) the discharge of a shotgun loaded with ammunition
20 that releases only shot when discharged; or

21 (3) bow fishing in Dimmit, Uvalde, or Zavala County.

22 (f) Notwithstanding Subsection (d)(2), in Dimmit, Uvalde,
23 or Zavala County, a person may discharge a shotgun loaded with
24 ammunition that releases only shot when discharged only if the

1 person is hunting:

2 (1) migratory birds, as defined by Section 34.021; or

3 (2) game animals, as defined by Section 63.001, except
4 mule deer, white-tailed deer, or antelope.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.