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H.B. No. 3910

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to mercury contamination in fish and shellfish.

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

SECTION 2. Chapter 11, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subchapter K to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER K. FISH AND SHELLFISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORIES

Sec. 11.254. SIGNS REQUIRED. The department shall post and maintain signs in the two most widely used languages in the area at all public boat ramps providing access to fresh water or at fishing piers for salt water that is affected by a fish or shellfish consumption advisory or fish or shellfish consumption ban issued under Chapter 436, Health and Safety Code, advising the public of the existence of the ban or advisory.

The Parks and Wildlife Department shall begin posting signs required by Section 11.254, Parks and Wildlife Code, as added by this Act, as soon as practicable, but not later than January 1, 2008.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.