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AN ACT

relating to a program to control or eradicate nuisance aquatic
vegetation.

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

SECTION 1. Section 12.010, Parks and Wildlife Code, is
amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12.010. NUISANCE OR NOXIOUS AQUATIC VEGETATION
PROGRAM. (a) The department may implement a program to control or
eradicate nuisance aquatic vegetation, including hydrilla and
giant sylvania, from public water in this state.

(b) To implement the program under this section, the
department may use money from unclaimed refunds of the tax on fuel
used in motorboats appropriated to the department under Section
162.502(c), Tax Code.

(c) The department may contract with a person not employed
by the department or use the services of department personnel for
the control or eradication of nuisance or noxious vegetation in the
water of this state.

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
Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
Act takes effect September 1, 2007.