

By: Miller of Erath

H.B. No. 836

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to sport hunting of feral hogs by helicopter.

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

SECTION 1. Section 62.003, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided in Subsection (b) or (c), no person may hunt any wild bird or wild animal, other than an alligator, frog, or turtle, from any type of aircraft or airborne device, motor vehicle, powerboat, or sailboat, or from any other floating device.

(c) Feral hogs may be hunted from a helicopter. The commission shall adopt rules governing hunting permitted by this subsection to ensure safety.

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the Parks and Wildlife Commission shall adopt rules to implement Section 62.003(c), Parks and Wildlife Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.