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H.B. No. 2321

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to lifetime licenses for hunting and fishing.

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

SECTION 1. Section 42.0021, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 42.0021. LIFETIME [~~RESIDENT~~] HUNTING LICENSE. The department may issue to a resident [~~residents~~] of this state or a nonresident who was born in this state a lifetime [~~resident~~] hunting license.

SECTION 2. Section 42.0121, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 42.0121. LIFETIME [~~RESIDENT~~] HUNTING LICENSE FEE. The fee for a lifetime [~~resident~~] hunting license is \$800 [~~\$300~~] or an amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.

SECTION 3. Section 42.0175(a), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A license issued under this chapter, other than a lifetime [~~resident~~] hunting license or a nonresident five-day special hunting license is valid only during the yearly period for which the license is issued without regard to the date on which a license is acquired. Each yearly period begins on September 1 or on another date set by the commission and extends through August 31 of the next year or another date set by the commission. A license issued under this chapter other than a nonresident five-day special

1 hunting license that is issued before September 1 or another date
2 set by the commission and does not expire until August 31 of the
3 next year or another date set by the commission is valid from the
4 date of issuance through August 31 of the following year or another
5 date set by the commission. The commission by rule may set the
6 amount of a license fee for a license issued during a transition
7 period at an amount lower than prescribed in this chapter and
8 provide for a license term for a transition period that is shorter
9 or longer than a year.

10 SECTION 4. Section 46.004(d), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 (d) The department may issue a lifetime [~~resident~~] fishing
13 license to a resident [~~residents~~] of this state or a nonresident who
14 was born in this state. The fee for this license is \$800 [~~\$300~~] or
15 an amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.

16 SECTION 5. Section 46.007(e), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 (e) A lifetime [~~resident~~] fishing license is valid for the
19 lifetime of the license holder.

20 SECTION 6. Section 50.001(b), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
21 amended to read as follows:

22 (b) The department may issue to a resident of this state or a
23 nonresident who was born in this state a lifetime combination
24 hunting and fishing license.

25 SECTION 7. Section 50.002(b), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
26 amended to read as follows:

27 (b) The fee for the lifetime license is \$1,500 [~~\$500~~] or an

1 amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.

2 SECTION 8. Section 50.0021(c), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (c) A lifetime [~~resident~~] combination hunting and fishing
5 license is valid for the lifetime of the license holder.

6 SECTION 9. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.