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H.B. No. 3079

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the sale or purchase of certain game.

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

SECTION 1. Sec. 62.021, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), no person may sell, offer for sale, purchase, offer to purchase, or possess after purchase a wild bird, game bird, or game animal, dead or alive, or part of the bird or animal.

(b) This section applies only to a bird or animal protected by this code without regard to whether the bird or animal is taken or killed in this state.

(c) This section does not prohibit the sale of:

(1) a live game animal, a dead or live game bird, or the feathers of a game bird if the sale is conducted under authority of a license or permit issued under this code; ~~or~~

(2) an inedible part lawfully taken or possessed, including the feathers, bones, or feet of a non-migratory game bird; hair, hide, antlers, bones, hooves, horns, skulls, or sinew of a deer, pronghorn antelope, desert bighorn sheep, javelina, or red or gray squirrel; or

(3) the feathers of a migratory game bird in accordance with federal law.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.