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H.B. No. 1501

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT relating to a landowner's exemption from the requirement to have a hunting license for hunting on the landowner's property. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 42.002, Parks and Wildlife Code, is 6 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to 7 read as follows:

8 (a) Except as provided by Subsections (b), [and] (c), and 9 (d) [of this section], no resident may hunt any bird or animal in 10 this state without having acquired a hunting license.

11 (d) A landowner may hunt on the landowner's property without
12 <u>having acquired a hunting license.</u>

SECTION 2. The change in the law made by this Act applies 13 only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this 14 For the purpose of this section, an offense is committed 15 Act. 16 before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurs before that date. An offense committed before the effective 17 date of this Act is covered by the law in effect when the offense was 18 committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that 19 20 purpose.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.