

1-1 By: Lozano, Canales (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa) H.B. No. 1179
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 9, 2013;
 1-3 May 10, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Agriculture, Rural Affairs, and Homeland Security; May 20, 2013,
 1-5 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 3, Nays 0;
 1-6 May 20, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
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1-10			X	
1-11			X	
1-12	X			
1-13	X			

1-14 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-15 AN ACT

1-16 relating to the payment of restitution for the taking of wildlife
 1-17 resources without the property owner's consent.

1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-19 SECTION 1. Section 61.022, Parks and Wildlife Code, is
 1-20 amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

1-21 (b-1) A court shall order a defendant convicted of an
 1-22 offense under this section to make restitution to the owner of the
 1-23 land, submerged land, or water. Restitution under this section may
 1-24 not include a payment for the value of wildlife or wildlife remains.

1-25 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
 1-26 an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An
 1-27 offense committed before the effective date of this Act is covered
 1-28 by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and the former
 1-29 law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this
 1-30 section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this
 1-31 Act if any element of the offense was committed before that date.

1-32 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-33 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-34 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-35 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-36 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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