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S.B. No. 797

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to residency requirements for a hunting license.

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

SECTION 1. Section 42.001(1), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Resident" means:

(A) an individual who has resided continuously in this state for more than six months immediately before applying for a hunting license;

(B) an individual who has resided continuously in this state for more than 14 days immediately before applying for a hunting license and presents an identification card issued to the person by any other state and one of the following items with a Texas address and a name matching the name on the identification card:

(i) a utility bill;

(ii) a rental contract;

(iii) a paycheck stub;

(iv) a library card;

(v) a notarized letter declaring the entry date into this state by the individual applying for the license; or

(vi) a letter addressed to the individual applying for the license from a sitting member of the Texas Legislature;

1 (C) a member of the United States armed forces on
2 active duty;

3 (D) [~~(C)~~] a dependent of a member of the United
4 States armed forces on active duty; or

5 (E) [~~(D)~~] a member of any other category of
6 individuals that the commission by regulation designates as
7 residents.

8 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
9 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
12 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.