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H.B. No. 300

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the allocation to the Parks and Wildlife Department of
3 the proceeds from taxes imposed on the sale, storage, or use of
4 sporting goods.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 11.035(b), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (b) The department shall deposit to the credit of the state
9 parks account all revenue, less allowable costs, received from the
10 following sources:

11 (1) grants or operation of concessions in state parks
12 or fishing piers;

13 (2) publications on state parks, state historic sites,
14 or state scientific areas;

15 (3) fines or penalties received from violations of
16 regulations governing parks issued pursuant to Subchapter B,
17 Chapter 13;

18 (4) fees and revenue collected under Section 11.027(b)
19 or (c) that are associated with state park lands;

20 (5) ~~[an amount of money equal to 74 percent of the]~~
21 credits made to the department under Section 151.801, Tax Code, in
22 an amount not to exceed the amount of the tax proceeds appropriated
23 from the account for use during the then-current state fiscal
24 biennium; and

1 (6) any other source provided by law.

2 SECTION 2. Section 11.043(b), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (b) The account consists of:

5 (1) [~~the amount of~~] credits made to the department
6 under Section 151.801, Tax Code, in an amount not to exceed the
7 amount of the tax proceeds appropriated from the account for use
8 during the then-current state fiscal biennium [~~after allocations~~
9 ~~to:~~

10 [~~(A) the state parks account,~~

11 [~~(B) the large county and municipality~~
12 ~~recreation and parks account, and~~

13 [~~(C) the Texas recreation and parks account~~];

14 (2) proceeds of revenue bonds issued under Section
15 13.0045; and

16 (3) money from any other source authorized by law.

17 SECTION 3. Section 24.003(a), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 (a) The department shall deposit to the credit of the Texas
20 recreation and parks account:

21 (1) [~~an amount of money equal to 15 percent of the~~]
22 credits made to the department under Section 151.801, Tax Code, in
23 an amount not to exceed the amount of the tax proceeds appropriated
24 from the account for use during the then-current state fiscal
25 biennium; and

26 (2) money from any other source authorized by law.

27 SECTION 4. Section 24.053(a), Parks and Wildlife Code, is

1 amended to read as follows:

2 (a) The department shall deposit to the credit of the large
3 county and municipality recreation and parks account:

4 (1) [~~an amount of money equal to 10 percent of the~~]
5 credits made to the department under Section 151.801, Tax Code, in
6 an amount not to exceed the amount of the tax proceeds appropriated
7 from the account for use during the then-current state fiscal
8 biennium; and

9 (2) money from any other source authorized by law.

10 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.