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H.B. No. 3057

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the creation of a pilot program for the purpose of
3 controlling certain predatory animals.

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

5 SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS. In this Act:

6 (1) "Extension service" means the Texas A&M AgriLife
7 Extension Service.

8 (2) "Predatory animals" means coyotes and feral hogs.

9 SECTION 2. PILOT PROGRAM. (a) The Parks and Wildlife
10 Department and the extension service jointly shall create and
11 administer a pilot program to make grants for the control of
12 predatory animals to a county or a nonprofit organization located
13 or operating in a county that:

14 (1) has a population less than 3,000;

15 (2) contains a state natural area; and

16 (3) is adjacent to two counties that border the United
17 Mexican States.

18 (b) The Parks and Wildlife Commission, in consultation with
19 the extension service, shall adopt rules to implement the pilot
20 program, including rules to govern:

21 (1) the qualifications for receiving a grant,
22 including the qualifications for nonprofit organizations;

23 (2) grant amounts; and

24 (3) conditions for the use of grant money.

1 SECTION 3. EXPIRATION DATE. This Act expires September 1,
2 2017.

3 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September
4 1, 2015.