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H.B. No. 1100

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of a permit to host a charity hunt outside the regular hunting season; authorizing the imposition of a fee.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 43, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subchapter Y to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER Y. CHARITY HUNT PERMIT

Sec. 43.961. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "charitable nonprofit organization" means an organization that is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(a), Internal Revenue Code of 1986, by being listed as an exempt organization in Section 501(c)(3) of that code.

Sec. 43.962. APPLICATION FOR PERMIT. (a) A landowner may apply to the department for a permit to host a charity hunt occurring within two weeks after the end of an open hunting season to raise money for a charitable nonprofit organization.

(b) The application for a permit to host a charity hunt must include:

- (1) the specific date of the hunt;
- (2) the event name, if applicable; and
- (3) the charitable nonprofit organization to which the money derived from the hunt will be donated.

Sec. 43.963. PERMIT REQUIRED. No person may host a charity hunt under this subchapter unless the person holds a valid permit to

1 host a charity hunt and a hunting license under Chapter 42.

2 Sec. 43.964. ISSUANCE OF PERMIT; FEE. (a) The department
3 may issue a permit to host a charity hunt under this subchapter.

4 (b) The fee for filing an application for a permit to host a
5 charity hunt is \$100. If the department denies the application and
6 the applicant elects not to proceed further, the department may
7 order any part of the fee submitted with the application returned to
8 the applicant.

9 Sec. 43.965. DONATION OF PROCEEDS. (a) The landowner shall
10 donate any proceeds the landowner receives from the charity hunt to
11 the charitable nonprofit organization.

12 (b) The department shall prescribe a form to be completed by
13 the charitable nonprofit organization to prove the organization's
14 status as a charitable nonprofit organization.

15 Sec. 43.966. RULES. The commission may adopt any rules
16 necessary to administer this subchapter.

17 SECTION 2. Not later than October 1, 2017, the Parks and
18 Wildlife Commission shall adopt any rules necessary to implement
19 Subchapter Y, Chapter 43, Parks and Wildlife Code, as added by this
20 Act.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.