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H.B. No. 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to an exemption for certain law enforcement and military  
3 personnel from the requirement to complete a hunter education  
4 program.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 62.014, Parks and Wildlife Code, is  
7 amended by amending Subsection (n) to read as follows:

8 (n) The following persons are exempt from any requirement to  
9 complete ~~[the live firing portion of]~~ a hunter education course  
10 under this section:

11 (1) an honorably discharged veteran of the United  
12 States armed forces~~[+]~~ or

13 ~~[(2)]~~ a person who is on active duty as a member of the  
14 United States armed ~~[military]~~ forces;

15 (2) a person who is on active duty or has previously  
16 served as a member of the Texas Army National Guard, the Texas Air  
17 National Guard, or the Texas State Guard; or

18 (3) a person who is serving or has previously served as  
19 a peace officer described by Subdivision (1), (2), (3), or (4),  
20 Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure~~[, the Texas Army National~~  
21 ~~Guard, the Texas Air National Guard, or the Texas State Guard]~~.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.