

AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

H.B. No. 2009

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

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2009 was passed by the House on May 9, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2009 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor