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H.B. No. 3535

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the taking of certain feral hogs and coyotes using a hot
3 air balloon.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 43, Parks and Wildlife
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 43.1076 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 43.1076. USING HOT AIR BALLOONS TO TAKE CERTAIN
8 ANIMALS. A qualified landowner or landowner's agent, as determined
9 by commission rule, may contract to participate as a hunter or
10 observer in using a hot air balloon to take depredating feral hogs
11 or coyotes under the authority of a permit issued under this
12 subchapter.

13 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date
14 of this Act, the Parks and Wildlife Commission shall adopt rules as
15 necessary to implement Section 43.1076, Parks and Wildlife Code, as
16 added by this Act.

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