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H.B. No. 1178

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to notice of inspections of certain deer facilities by the Parks and Wildlife Department.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 43.358, 43.604, and 43.624, Parks and Wildlife Code, are amended to read as follows:

Sec. 43.358. INSPECTION; NOTICE. (a) An authorized employee of the department may inspect ~~[at any time and without warrant]~~:

(1) any pen, coop, or enclosure holding white-tailed deer or mule deer; or

(2) any records required to be maintained under Section 43.359(a).

(b) The department shall give a deer breeder notice of an inspection not later than the third day before the date of the inspection. Notice may be made by telephone or sent electronically or as an electronic message on a wireless communication device.

Sec. 43.604. INSPECTION; NOTICE. (a) An authorized employee of the department may inspect ~~[at any time without warrant]~~ the records required by Section 43.605 and the acreage for which the permit is issued for the purpose of determining the permit holder's compliance with the management plan.

(b) The department shall give a permit holder notice of an inspection not later than the third day before the date of the

1 inspection. Notice may be made by telephone or sent electronically
2 or as an electronic message on a wireless communication device.

3 Sec. 43.624. INSPECTION; NOTICE. (a) An authorized
4 employee of the department may inspect [~~at any time without~~
5 ~~warrant~~] the records required by Section 43.625 and the acreage for
6 which the permit is issued for the purpose of determining the permit
7 holder's compliance with the management plan.

8 (b) The department shall give a permit holder notice of an
9 inspection not later than the third day before the date of the
10 inspection. Notice may be made by telephone or sent electronically
11 or as an electronic message on a wireless communication device.

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.