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S.B. No. 733

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the authorization of a fee for participation in the
3 Managed Lands Deer Program.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 11.032(b), Parks and Wildlife Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (b) The department shall deposit to the credit of the game,
8 fish, and water safety account all revenue, less allowable costs,
9 from the following sources:

10 (1) all types of fishing licenses and stamps and
11 shrimping licenses;

12 (2) all types of hunting licenses and stamps;

13 (3) trapping licenses and other licenses relating to
14 the taking, propagation, and sale of fur-bearing animals or their
15 pelts;

16 (4) sale of marl, sand, gravel, shell, and mudshell;

17 (5) oyster bed rentals and permits;

18 (6) federal funds received for fish and wildlife
19 research, management, development and conservation, resource
20 protection, and law enforcement, unless the funds are received for
21 the specific purposes of Subchapter F, Chapter 77;

22 (7) sale of property, less advertising costs,
23 purchased from this account or a special fund or account that is now
24 part of this account;

1 (8) fines and penalties collected for violations of a
2 law pertaining to the protection and conservation of wild birds,
3 wild fowl, wild animals, fish, shrimp, oysters, game birds and
4 animals, fur-bearing animals, alligators, and any other wildlife
5 resources of this state;

6 (9) sale of rough fish by the department;

7 (10) fees for importation permits;

8 (11) fees from supplying fish for or placing fish in
9 water located on private property;

10 (12) sale of seized pelts;

11 (13) sale or lease of grazing rights to and the
12 products from game preserves, sanctuaries, and management areas;

13 (14) contracts for the removal of fur-bearing animals
14 and reptiles from wildlife management areas;

15 (15) vessel registration fees;

16 (16) vessel manufacturer or dealer licensing fees;

17 (17) fines or penalties imposed by a court for
18 violation of water safety laws contained in Chapter 31 of this code;

19 (18) alligator hunter's or alligator buyer's licenses;

20 (19) sale of alligators or any part of an alligator by
21 the department;

22 (20) fees and revenue collected under Section
23 11.027(b) or (c) of this code that are associated with the
24 conservation of fish and wildlife;

25 (21) any other source provided by law; ~~and~~

26 (22) vessel and outboard motor titling fees; and

27 (23) participation fees collected under Section

1 43.976.

2 SECTION 2. Chapter 43, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended
3 by adding Subchapter Y to read as follows:

4 SUBCHAPTER Y. MANAGED LANDS DEER PROGRAM

5 Sec. 43.975. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "program"
6 means the Managed Lands Deer Program described by 31 T.A.C. Section
7 65.29, or a successor to that program.

8 Sec. 43.976. PROGRAM PARTICIPATION FEE. (a) The
9 commission by rule may impose a fee for participation in the
10 program. Section 2001.0045, Government Code, does not apply to a
11 rule adopted under this section.

12 (b) The commission shall remit a fee collected under
13 Subsection (a) to the comptroller for deposit to the credit of the
14 game, fish, and water safety account.

15 Sec. 43.977. RULES. The commission shall adopt rules
16 required to implement the program.

17 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.