

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the requirements for an application for a permit to  
3 manage wildlife and exotic animals from aircraft; authorizing a  
4 fee.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 43, Parks and Wildlife  
7 Code, is amended by adding Section 43.1055 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 43.1055. MAP SUBMITTED WITH PERMIT APPLICATION. (a)

9 In this section, "georeferenced map" means a map image  
10 incorporating a system of geographic ground coordinates, including  
11 latitude and longitude and Universal Transverse Mercator  
12 coordinates.

13 (b) Except as described by Subsection (d), an applicant for  
14 a permit under this subchapter shall submit with the application:

15 (1) either:

16 (A) a georeferenced map in a format prescribed by  
17 the department showing the exact boundaries of the property where  
18 the management of wildlife or exotic animals is to be performed; or

19 (B) a map in a format prescribed by the  
20 department clearly indicating the location and boundaries of the  
21 property where the management of wildlife or exotic animals is to be  
22 performed and the fee established by the commission under  
23 Subsection (c); and

24 (2) a signed, written statement stating that the map

1 or georeferenced map provided under Subdivision (1) is true and  
2 correct.

3 (c) The commission by rule shall establish a fee in an  
4 amount reasonably necessary to cover the cost of converting a map  
5 described by Subsection (b)(1)(B) to a georeferenced map.

6 (d) The department shall maintain a record of all maps  
7 submitted under this section. The department may not require an  
8 applicant to submit a map of a property for which a map has  
9 previously been submitted under this section.

10 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.