S.B. No. 1245

AN ACT

relating to the taking of aoudad sheep by using a helicopter.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 43.1075, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 43.1075.  USING HELICOPTERS TO TAKE CERTAIN ANIMALS. Under the authority of a permit issued under this subchapter, a [~~A~~] qualified landowner or landowner's agent, as determined by commission rule, may contract to participate as a hunter or observer in using a helicopter to take depredating:

(1)  feral hogs;

(2)  [~~or~~] coyotes; or

(3)  aoudad sheep [~~under the authority of a permit issued under this subchapter~~].

SECTION 2.  As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the Parks and Wildlife Commission shall adopt or amend rules as necessary to implement the change in law made by this Act.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1245 passed the Senate on April 10, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 12, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

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I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1245 passed the House, with amendment, on May 7, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 1, four present not voting.

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Approved:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_             Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_           Governor