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S.B. No. 114

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to postmortem testing of deer for chronic wasting disease.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 12, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Section 12.029 to read as follows:

Sec. 12.029. POSTMORTEM TESTING OF DEER FOR CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, postmortem testing of deer for chronic wasting disease under this code or a rule adopted under this code must be conducted by the Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory.

(b) The results of a test described by Subsection (a) must be interpreted by at least two employees of the Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.