

By: Kuempel

H.B. No. 1786

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1786:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to notice of proposed increases in fees charged by the Parks and Wildlife Department for certain permits.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 43, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subchapter A to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

[Sec. 43.001. Reserved]

Sec. 43.002. NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT FEE INCREASE. The department shall provide written notice to a person who holds an unexpired permit or held a permit in the preceding year issued by the department under Subchapter E, L, or R at least 90 days before the date on which the amount of the fee for that type of permit is proposed to increase. Notice under this section is required only if the proposed permit fee amount is at least two times the amount of the fee in effect for a permit of that type.

SECTION 2. Section 43.002, Parks and Wildlife Code, as added by this Act, applies only to an increase in the fee for a permit as provided by that section that is proposed to take effect on or after September 1, 2009. An increase in the fee for a permit that is proposed to take effect before September 1, 2009, is governed by the law in effect immediately before September 1, 2009, and that law continues in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.