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H.B. No. 2159

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the creation of a Kickapoo deer hunting license.

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

SECTION 1. Section 42.001(1), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Resident" means:

(A) an individual who has resided continuously in this state for more than six months immediately before applying for a hunting license;

(B) a member of the United States armed forces on active duty;

(C) a dependent of a member of the United States armed forces on active duty; ~~[or]~~

(D) a member of any other category of individuals that the commission by regulation designates as residents; or

(E) a member of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas.

SECTION 2. Chapter 42, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Sections 42.015 and 42.016 to read as follows:

Sec. 42.015. KICKAPOO DEER HUNTING LICENSE. (a) The department shall issue a member of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas a hunting license that permits the license holder to hunt deer in this state at any time of the year.

(b) The acquisition of a Kickapoo deer hunting license does

1 not authorize a member of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas to
2 hunt deer by any means not authorized by this code.

3 (c) The acquisition of a Kickapoo deer hunting license does
4 not authorize a member of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas to
5 hunt any animal, other than deer:

6 (1) without having acquired a license or other permit
7 required by this code; or

8 (2) at any time or by any means not otherwise
9 authorized by this code.

10 Sec. 42.016. KICKAPOO DEER HUNTING LICENSE FEE. The fee for
11 a Kickapoo hunting license is \$8 or an amount set by the commission,
12 whichever amount is greater, but not to exceed \$75.

13 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.