

1-1 By: Huffines S.B. No. 1181
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 10, 2015; March 17, 2015, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, and
1-4 Rural Affairs; April 22, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;
1-6 April 22, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	<u>Perry</u>	X		
1-10	<u>Zaffirini</u>	X		
1-11	<u>Creighton</u>	X		
1-12	<u>Hall</u>	X		
1-13	<u>Hinojosa</u>	X		
1-14	<u>Kolkhorst</u>	X		
1-15	<u>Rodríguez</u>	X		

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1181 By: Zaffirini

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to an interim study concerning this state's noncommercial
1-20 hunting and fishing license systems.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. (a) The Parks and Wildlife Department shall
1-23 conduct a study of ways to simplify and consolidate the
1-24 department's noncommercial hunting and fishing license systems
1-25 into a single master license. The study must evaluate:

1-26 (1) consolidating all noncommercial hunting and
1-27 fishing licenses, tags, and stamps into a master license while
1-28 maintaining license exemptions in existence as of the effective
1-29 date of this Act;

1-30 (2) how to maintain wildlife management standards
1-31 under a master license system;

1-32 (3) the elimination of the hunter education course as
1-33 a separate requirement for hunting with a license or how to maintain
1-34 the hunter education program under a master license system without
1-35 unduly affecting persons who would need the license only for
1-36 fishing; and

1-37 (4) ways to increase ease of purchase and use for
1-38 individuals applying for a hunting or fishing license in this
1-39 state.

1-40 (b) Not later than November 12, 2017, the Parks and Wildlife
1-41 Department shall submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor,
1-42 the speaker of the house of representatives, and the chair of each
1-43 committee of the legislature that has primary jurisdiction over the
1-44 department a written report that summarizes the findings of the
1-45 study conducted under Subsection (a) of this section.

1-46 SECTION 2. This Act expires December 31, 2017.

1-47 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-48 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-49 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-50 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-51 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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