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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAMBERT

HUNTING: Urges and requests the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to include .35 Whelen as a primitive firearm

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To urge and request the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to add rifles capable of firing
3	.35 Whelen ammunition to the list of firearms authorized to use during the special
4	deer hunting season for primitive firearms.
5	WHEREAS, Louisiana is rich in the natural resource of flora and fauna that provides
6	opportunities for our citizens to enjoy the outdoors' plentiful hunting opportunities; and
7	WHEREAS, the Constitution of Louisiana requires the legislature to enact laws to
8	protect, conserve, and replenish insofar as possible and consistent with the health, safety, and
9	welfare of the people and the natural resources of the state; and
10	WHEREAS, in furtherance of that purpose, Act No. 51 of the 2008 Regular Session
11	was enacted, which authorized the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish a special
12	deer season for primitive firearms; and
13	WHEREAS, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission established such season through
14	their rulemaking authority along with the authorized primitive firearms which include
15	muzzle loader or cap and ball cylinder rifles with a minimum .44 caliber and single shot
16	breech loading rifles with a minimum of .38 caliber of a type manufactured prior to 1900;
17	and
18	WHEREAS, it is the desire of the legislature that this natural resource be utilized by
19	the maximum number of our citizens without significantly degrading the quantity or quality
20	of our state's deer populations; and

- WHEREAS, expanding the list of primitive firearms to include those capable of
- 2 firing .35 Whelen ammunition will provide greater opportunities for our citizens to
- 3 participate in the special deer season for primitive firearms.
- 4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
- 5 urge and request the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to add rifles capable of firing .35
- 6 Whelen ammunition to the list of firearms authorized to use during the special deer hunting
- 7 season for primitive firearms.
- 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
- 9 secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

DIGEST

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