

Regular Session, 2011

ACT No. 95

HOUSE BILL NO. 294

BY REPRESENTATIVES THIBAUT, ANDERS, BOBBY BADON, BALDONE, BILLIOT, BURFORD, HENRY BURNS, CARMODY, CHANDLER, CHANEY, DOWNS, EDWARDS, ELLINGTON, FANNIN, GALLOT, HARRISON, HAZEL, HENDERSON, HILL, LEBAS, LITTLE, MONTOUCET, NOWLIN, GARY SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, TALBOT, AND WOOTON AND SENATOR CHEEK

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:116.1(D), relative to hunting; to provide for the trapping of
3 outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver; to provide for trapping of feral hogs; to provide
4 for the method of such taking on private property; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:116.1(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §116.1. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; times and methods of taking; penalties

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9 D.(1) Outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver may be taken at any time of year
10 from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset,
11 without limit as to number, except by trapping during the closed season for nongame
12 quadrupeds, ~~except that~~; however, such trapping ~~shall~~ may be used only under
13 special permit issued by the department, except such trapping of feral hogs may be
14 used without special permit in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated
15 by the commission.

16 (2) On private property, the landowner, or his lessee or agent with written
17 permission and the landowner's contact information in his possession, may take
18 outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver during nighttime hours from one-half hour after
19 official sunset on the last day of February to one-half hour after official sunset the
20 last day of August of that same year. ~~The method of such~~ Such taking ~~shall be~~
21 ~~limited to a shotgun not larger than a No. 10 gauge fired with buckshot or smaller or~~

1 ~~a standard .22-caliber rimfire firearm~~ and may be with or without the aid of artificial
 2 light, infrared or laser sighting devices, or night vision devices. Any person
 3 attempting to take outlaw quadrupeds under the provisions of this Paragraph, within
 4 twenty-four hours prior to the attempted taking, shall notify the sheriff of the parish
 5 in which the property is located of his intention to attempt to take outlaw quadrupeds
 6 under the provisions of this Paragraph.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____