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DIGEST

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Ward

SB No. 212

Present law authorizes the use of a firearm fitted with a sound suppressor in hunting outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver.

Proposed law retains present law and expands the authorization to hunt with a firearm fitted with a sound suppressor to game birds and all wild quadrupeds, which includes outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, and beaver.

Present law limits hunting with a sound suppressor to a person authorized to possess such firearm fitted with a sound suppressor, as evidenced by possession of the federal tax stamp required by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Prohibits use of a sound suppressor by any person convicted of a hunting violation class four or greater for five years after the date of conviction.

Proposed law retains present law.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 56:116.1(B)(3); Adds R.S. 56:116.6; Repeals R.S. 56:116.1(D)(3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to the engrossed bill.

1. Adds game birds to the authorization to take with a firearm fitted with a sound suppression device.