

**ACT No. 175**

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 159

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCFARLAND, ADAMS, BACALA, BEAULLIEU, BOURRIAQUE, BROWN, CARPENTER, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, COUSSAN, DESHOTEL, EDMONDS, EMERSON, FIRMENT, FREIBERG, FRIEMAN, GADBERRY, GOUDEAU, GREEN, HARRIS, ILLG, MIKE JOHNSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, KERNER, LACOMBE, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MCCORMICK, MCKNIGHT, MCMAHEN, MIGUEZ, DUSTIN MILLER, GREGORY MILLER, NELSON, CHARLES OWEN, ROBERT OWEN, PIERRE, PRESSLY, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SEABAUGH, SELDERS, THOMAS, THOMPSON, AND WHEAT AND SENATORS ALLAIN, BOUIE, CONNICK, FESI, AND HENSGENS

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:116.1(D)(2), relative to hunting outlaw quadrupeds, nutria,  
3 and beaver; to allow nighttime hunting of outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, and beaver on  
4 private property at any time of the year; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:116.1(D)(2) 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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11 (2) On private property, the landowner, or his lessee or agent with written  
12 permission and the landowner's contact information in his possession, may take  
13 outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver during nighttime hours ~~from one-half hour after~~  
14 ~~official sunset on the last day of February to one-half hour after official sunset the~~  
15 ~~last day of August of that same year.~~ However, no person shall be allowed to  
16 participate or be present during nighttime hunting activities if convicted of a class  
17 three or greater wildlife violation within the previous five years or if he has any other

1            prohibition which would prevent the legal use of a firearm or participation in a  
 2            hunting activity. Such taking may be with or without the aid of artificial light,  
 3            infrared or laser sighting devices, or night vision devices. Any person attempting to  
 4            take outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver under the provisions of this Paragraph;  
 5            shall notify the sheriff of the parish in which the property is located of his intention  
 6            to attempt to take outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver within twenty-four hours  
 7            prior to the attempted taking or immediately upon taking the animal. ~~; shall notify~~  
 8            ~~the sheriff of the parish in which the property is located of his intention to attempt~~  
 9            ~~to take outlaw quadrupeds under the provisions of this Paragraph.~~

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_