Regular Session, 2014

### SENATE BILL NO. 212

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1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 56:116.1(B)(3), to enact R.S. 56:116.6, and to repeal R.S.
3	56:116.1(D)(3), relative to hunting; to provide for the use of firearm sound
4	suppressors when taking game birds and wild quadrupeds; to provide certain
5	penalties; to provide for the use of night vision devices; to provide terms, conditions,
6	and requirements; and to provide for related matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. R.S. 56:116.1(B)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 56:116.6
9	is hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	\$116.1. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; times and methods of taking; penalties
11	* * *
12	B. No person shall do any of the following:
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14	(3) Take or kill any game bird or wild quadruped with a firearm fitted with
15	any device to deaden or silence the sound of the discharge thereof; or fitted with an
16	infrared sight, laser sight or except as provided in Paragraph (A)(8) $\underline{\text{or}(D)(2)}$ of this
17	Section any sighting device which projects a beam of light to the target or otherwise
18	electronically illuminates the target, or device specifically designed to enhance
19	vision at night; or with or by means of an automatic loading or hand operated
20	repeating shotgun capable of holding more than three shells. Any shotgun capable
21	of holding more than three shells shall be plugged with a one-piece filler incapable
22	of removal through the loading end, so as to reduce the capacity of the gun to not
23	more than three shells at one loading.
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<u>§1</u>	116.6. Sound suppressors
	Any person who is authorized to possess a firearm sound suppressor, as
<u>ev</u>	videnced by payment and possession of the required federal tax stamp issued
<u>b</u>	y the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, may use a firearm
<u>fi</u> t	tted with a sound suppressor when taking game birds, wild quadrupeds,
<u>01</u>	utlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver as provided by R.S. 56:116.1. Any person
<u>w</u>	ho has been convicted of a class four or greater hunting violation for a period
<u>of</u>	f five years after the date of such conviction shall not use a firearm fitted with
<u>a</u>	sound suppressor pursuant to this Section. Possession or use of a sound
<u>su</u>	uppressor by a person other than as permitted by this Section shall be
<u>cc</u>	onsidered in violation of this Section and shall be punished as a class six
<u>vi</u>	iolation in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 56:36.
Se	ection 2. R.S. 56:116.1(D)(3) is hereby repealed.

## PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

# SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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