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SENATE BILL NO. 370

BY SENATOR CROWE

WILDLIFE RESOURCES. Creates a permit for the entertainment industry for the possession or transportation of certain wildlife. (8/1/12)

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To amend and reenact R.S. 56:105(A), relative to wild birds and wild quadrupeds; to provide for special permits and licenses; to provide for special permits and licenses for the entertainment industry to take and possess certain wildlife; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 56:105(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§105. Special permits and licenses; scientific or entertainment purposes; bow

9 licenses; beaver permit

A. The department may, in its discretion and upon such terms and conditions as it may prescribe, issue to accredited representatives of any public park, museum, educational or scientific institution, or of the federal government or any state government, recognized scientist, **representative of the entertainment industry** or to any other responsible person a permit to take, possess, and transport at any time within and from this state wild birds or the plumage, skins, nests, eggs, or young thereof and wild quadrupeds, the skins or young thereof; if the department is satisfied that they are to be taken or possessed for scientific, educational, experimental,

entertaining or breeding purposes only and are not to be sold or otherwise disposed of by the permittee for profit, and if the permittee obligates himself to deliver to the department within sixty days after taking, and in any event before the removal thereof from the state, a detailed descriptive inventory of the wild birds, wild quadrupeds, and other things taken under the permit.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michelle Broussard-Johnson.

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<u>Present law</u> provides for a permit to accredited representatives of any public park, museum, educational or scientific institution, or of the federal government or any state government, recognized scientist or any other responsible person to take, possess, and transport at any time within and from this state wild birds, skins, nests, eggs, or young thereof and wild quadrupeds.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds a representative from the entertainment industry to be allowed to take, possess, or transport wildlife for entertainment purposes.

Effective August 1, 2012.

(Amends R.S. 56:105(A))