

HOUSE BILL 408

By Doggett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70,
relative to persons who may engage in the sport of
hunting and fishing on farmlands without a license.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-2-204(a), is amended by deleting the first three sentences in the subsection and substituting the following:

The owners and tenants of farmlands, and their spouses, children, and parents, along with the owners' grandchildren and great-grandchildren under the age of sixteen (16), have the right to engage in the sport of hunting and fishing, subject to all the provisions of all laws or regulations concerning wildlife, upon such lands and waters on the land of which they or their spouses, parents, or children are the bona fide owners or tenants, or in the case of qualified grandchildren or qualified great-grandchildren, their grandparent or great-grandparent or grandparents or great-grandparents are the bona fide owners, with the permission of the landowner, during the season when it is lawful to do so, without procuring a hunting and sport fishing license. Tenants and their spouses, dependent children, and parents must be bona fide residents of the state and must actually reside on the land. Owners and their spouses, children, and parents and qualified grandchildren and qualified great-grandchildren must be bona fide residents of the state.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.