

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 606

BY REPRESENTATIVE ELLINGTON AND SENATOR THOMPSON

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 3:2891, 2892, and 2896, relative to swine running at large; to
3 remove certain exceptions to running at large, seizure and impoundment, and
4 liabilities; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 3:2891, 2892, and 2896 are hereby amended and reenacted to read
7 as follows:

8 §2891. Swine prohibited from running at large

9 ~~Except in the Sabine River Swamp in ward 1 and all of ward 2 of Beauregard~~
10 ~~Parish, in the Little River area north of Catahoula Lake in Grant Parish and LaSalle~~
11 ~~Parish south of Highway 84, in wards 1, 2, 3, and 4 of LaSalle Parish, in that area of~~
12 ~~Allen Parish, ward 5, west of the Calcasieu River, in wards 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 8 of~~
13 ~~Vernon Parish, in the Catahoula Lake area of Catahoula Parish, and in the parishes~~
14 ~~of Winn, Union, St. Tammany, Livingston, St. Helena, Cameron, and Caldwell,~~
15 ~~except wards 1, 2, 7 and 8 of Caldwell Parish, and state representative district 27~~
16 ~~unless a referendum of the people is held to approve it, no No person owning swine~~
17 ~~shall knowingly, willfully, or negligently permit his swine to run at large upon public~~
18 ~~property or upon private property of another person.~~

19 §2892. Impoundment of swine running at large; notice to and recovery by owner

20 Any landowner or lessee, or their agents, employees, or representatives or the
21 sheriff, constable, or other police officer of any parish, ward, or municipality may
22 seize any swine found unaccompanied by its owner or keeper and running at large

1 on any public or private property. These swine so seized shall be impounded and the
 2 citizen or officer so seizing and impounding the swine shall cause the owner or
 3 keeper thereof, if known, to be notified personally or by leaving written notice at the
 4 place of his residence within twenty-four hours after the seizure, and the owner or
 5 keeper of the swine may forthwith claim the swine upon the payment of the fees
 6 hereinafter specified. ~~The provisions of this section shall not apply in the Sabine
 7 River Swamp in ward 1 and all of ward 2 of Beauregard Parish, in the Little River
 8 area north of Catahoula Lake in Grant Parish and LaSalle Parish south of Highway
 9 84, in wards 1, 2, 3, and 4 of LaSalle Parish, in that area of Allen Parish, ward 5,
 10 west of the Calcasieu River, in wards 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8 of Vernon Parish, in the
 11 Catahoula Lake area of Catahoula Parish, and in the parishes of Winn, Union, St.
 12 Tammany, Livingston, St. Helena, Cameron and Caldwell, except wards 1, 2, 7 and
 13 8 of Caldwell Parish, and state representative district 27, unless a referendum of the
 14 people is held to approve it.~~

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16 §2896. Liability for damages

17 A. The owner of any swine who knowingly, willfully, or negligently permits
 18 his swine to run at large upon public property or upon the private property of another
 19 person shall be liable for any damage caused by such swine while running at large.

20 B. The provisions of this section shall not apply in the Sabine River Swamp
 21 in ward 1 and all of ward 2 of Beauregard Parish, in the Little River area north of
 22 Catahoula Lake in Grant Parish and LaSalle Parish south of Highway 84, in wards
 23 1, 2, 3, and 4 of LaSalle Parish, in that area of Allen Parish, ward 5, west of the
 24 Calcasieu River, in wards 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 8 of Vernon Parish, in the Catahoula Lake
 25 area of Catahoula Parish, and in the parishes of Winn, Union, St. Tammany,
 26 Livingston, St. Helena, Cameron, and Caldwell Parish, except wards 1, 2, 7, and 8
 27 of Caldwell Parish, and state representative district 27, unless a referendum of the
 28 people is held to approve it.

1 C. The provisions of Subsection B of this Section shall become null and void
2 on January 1, 2020.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____