

Amendments to House Bill No. 434  
3rd Reading Copy

Requested by Senator Fred Thomas

For the Senate Fish and Game Committee

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1. Title, line 7.

**Following:** "IMPROVEMENT"**Insert:** "AND PUBLIC ACCESS"

2. Title, line 8.

**Strike:** "AND"**Insert:** ", "

3. Title, line 9.

**Following:** "HABITAT"**Insert:** ", AND IMPROVE PUBLIC ACCESS"**Following:** "IMPROVEMENT"**Insert:** "AND PUBLIC ACCESS"

4. Page 1, line 16.

**Following:** "habitat"**Insert:** "and improve public access"

5. Page 1, line 23.

**Strike:** "8"**Insert:** "9"

6. Page 1, line 24.

**Following:** "Improvement"**Insert:** "and Public Access"

7. Page 1, line 26.

**Strike:** "8"**Insert:** "9"

8. Page 1, line 28.

**Following:** "improvement"**Insert:** "and public access"

9. Page 2, line 7.

**Following:** "**improvement**"**Insert:** "and public access"

10. Page 2, line 8.

**Following:** "improvement"  
**Insert:** "and public access"

11. Page 2, line 9.  
**Strike:** "8"  
**Insert:** "9"

12. Page 2, line 30.  
**Following:** "improvement"  
**Insert:** "and public access"

13. Page 3, line 9.  
**Following:** "improvement"  
**Insert:** "public access"

14. Page 3, line 10.  
**Strike:** "8"  
**Insert:** "9"

15. Page 3, line 25.  
**Strike:** "8"  
**Insert:** "9"

16. Page 3, line 26.  
**Strike:** "8"  
**Insert:** "9"

17. Page 4, line 3.  
**Following:** "IMPROVEMENT"  
**Insert:** "and public access"

18. Page 4, line 26.  
**Strike:** "8"  
**Insert:** "9"

19. Page 5, line 13.  
**Strike:** "and"

20. Page 5, line 14.  
**Following:** "funding"  
**Insert:** "; and

(v) a description of public access projects and weed coordination activities undertaken pursuant to [section 8]"

21. Page 5, line 15.  
**Following:** line 14

**Insert:** "NEW SECTION. Section 8. Public lands access advocate and noxious weed coordinator. (1) (a) There is a public lands access advocate and noxious weed coordinator who is appointed and

directed by the board of land commissioners.

(b) The public lands access advocate and noxious weed coordinator is an employee of the department for administrative purposes only.

(c) The secretary of state shall provide office space for the public lands access advocate and noxious weed coordinator.

(d) Costs associated with the public lands access advocate and noxious weed coordinator may be considered administrative costs paid from funds deposited pursuant to [section 5].

(2) (a) The public lands access advocate and noxious weed coordinator is dedicated to increasing public access opportunities on and to public lands, as defined in 15-30-2380, and to surface waters within the state that are capable of recreational use.

(b) The public lands access advocate and noxious weed coordinator shall coordinate noxious weed efforts undertaken on public lands pursuant to [sections 1 through 9].

(3) The public lands access advocate and noxious weed coordinator shall:

(a) promote effective engagement in and use of existing public land access programs and opportunities;

(b) research and identify additional opportunities to increase public access on and to public lands and to surface waters within the state that are capable of recreational use;

(c) propose access projects to the board of land commissioners for consideration, with an emphasis on projects that utilize land exchanges, procurement of access easements, and consolidation of checkerboarded lands, and that protect and enhance wildlife habitat. Approval of the board is required for access projects proposed pursuant to this section.

(d) work with the department and report to the board of land commissioners on all noxious weed projects undertaken pursuant to [sections 1 through 9]."

**Renumber:** subsequent sections

22. Page 5, line 19.

**Strike:** "8"

**Insert:** "9"

23. Page 5, line 20.

**Strike:** "8"

**Insert:** "9"

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