

By: Senator(s) Posey

To: Wildlife and  
Fisheries

SENATE BILL NO. 2716

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-20, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 PROVIDE THAT PERSONS WHO ARE EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF  
3 PROCURING A HUNTING LICENSE BECAUSE OF DISABILITY SHALL NOT BE  
4 EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF SATISFACTORILY COMPLETING AN  
5 APPROVED HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 SECTION 1. Section 49-7-20, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9 49-7-20. (1) It is unlawful for any person born on or after  
10 January 1, 1972, to procure any hunting license \* \* \*, or to hunt  
11 if the person is exempt from procuring a hunting license because  
12 of disability as authorized under Section 49-7-5(2)(a), unless the  
13 person has been issued certification of satisfactory completion of  
14 a hunter education course approved by the department.

15 (2) It is unlawful for any person to issue any license  
16 provided by the department to any person born on or after January  
17 1, 1972, unless the purchaser has provided valid certification of  
18 satisfactory completion of a hunter education course approved by  
19 the department.

20 (3) It is unlawful for any person to fraudulently obtain a  
21 hunter education certification.

22 (4) The department may revoke any hunting license or hunter  
23 education certification upon determination that the holder was not  
24 entitled to issuance or obtained the license or certification by  
25 any fraudulent means.

26 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
27 and after July 1, 1999.