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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 2855 (house committee report) by striking
2 all below the enacting clause and substituting the following:

3 SECTION 1. Section 43.3561, Parks and Wildlife Code, is
4 amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

5 (d) A deer breeder may use a microchip for identification of
6 breeder deer in addition to the requirements of this section. If a
7 durable tag has accidentally become separated from the deer or an
8 ear tattoo has become illegible, the deer breeder is not in
9 violation of this section if the deer breeder can show that the deer
10 has a microchip that identifies the deer. The deer breeder must
11 replace the tag or re-tattoo the deer within a reasonable time.

12 SECTION 2. Sections 43.357(a-1) and (b), Parks and Wildlife
13 Code, are amended to read as follows:

14 (a-1) A deer breeder, a deer breeder's authorized agent, or
15 an assistant who is not a permittee under this subchapter but is
16 acting under the direction of a deer breeder or a deer breeder's
17 authorized agent may capture a breeder deer held in a permitted
18 facility for:

- 19 (1) removal from an enclosure;
- 20 (2) veterinary treatment;
- 21 (3) tagging, tattooing, or implanting a microchip;
- 22 (4) euthanasia for the purpose of:
 - 23 (A) humane dispatch of the breeder deer; or
 - 24 (B) the conduct of a test for a reportable
- 25 disease as required by law; or
- 26 (5) any other purpose required or allowed by law.

27 (b) The commission may make regulations governing:
28 (1) the possession of breeder deer held under the
29 authority of this subchapter;

1 (2) the recapture of lawfully possessed breeder deer
2 that have escaped from the facility of a deer breeder;

3 (3) permit applications and fees;

4 (4) reporting requirements;

5 (5) procedures and requirements for the purchase,
6 transfer, sale, or shipment of breeder deer;

7 (6) the endorsement of a deer breeder facility by a
8 certified wildlife biologist;

9 (7) the number of breeder deer that a deer breeder may
10 possess; ~~and~~

11 (8) the dates for which a deer breeder permit is valid;

12 and

13 (9) the use of microchip implants as additional
14 identification of breeder deer under Section 43.3561(d).

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.