HB 563 -- LANDOWNERS TAKING WILDLIFE

SPONSOR: Boggs

This bill prohibits the Department of Conservation from requiring a landowner to register his or her property before receiving any landowner hunting permit or to possess a permit to take wildlife on his or her property.

The Conservation Commission must issue landowner hunting permits requested by any resident or nonresident landowner who owns at least five acres of real property. In addition, once a year, any landowner who qualifies for landowner hunting permits may request a hunting permit for a nonresident immediate family member allowing the taking of wildlife on the landowner's property for a two-day period. The Commission must issue the two-day permit free of charge.

This bill is the same as HB 1787 (2024).