

Prior law authorized the use of a firearm fitted with a sound suppressor in hunting only outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver.

New law expands prior law to authorize hunting with a firearm fitted with a sound suppressor to game birds and wild quadrupeds, which includes outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, and beaver.

Existing law limits hunting with a sound suppressor to a person authorized to possess such firearm fitted with a sound suppressor, as evidenced by possession of the federal tax stamp required by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Prohibits use of a sound suppressor by any person convicted of a hunting violation class four or greater for five years after the date of conviction.

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(Amends R.S. 56:116.1(B)(3); Adds R.S. 56:116.6; Repeals R.S. 56:116.1(D)(3))