

# HOUSE BILL 1065

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By: **Delegates O'Donnell and Ross**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Calvert County ~~and Prince George's County~~ – Deer Hunting**  
3 **on Private Lands – Sundays**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing a person in Calvert County ~~or Prince George's County~~  
5 to hunt deer on certain Sundays on private property with a bow and arrow;  
6 ~~removing Prince George's County from the list of counties in which deer hunting~~  
7 ~~on private lands on certain Sundays is prohibited~~; and generally relating to deer  
8 hunting on private lands on Sundays.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article – Natural Resources  
11 Section 10–405(a)(2)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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15 Article – Natural Resources  
16 Section 10–410(a)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
20 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

21 **Article – Natural Resources**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 10-405.

2 (a) (2) Except as provided under § 10-410 of this subtitle, the Department  
3 may not authorize hunting on a Sunday.

4 10-410.

5 (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, a  
6 person may not hunt any game bird or mammal on Sundays.

7 (2) The following persons may hunt the specified game birds and  
8 mammals on Sundays:

9 (i) A person using State certified raptors to hunt game birds or  
10 mammals during open season;

11 (ii) An unarmed person participating in an organized fox chase  
12 to chase foxes;

13 (iii) Provided that the provisions of § 10-906(b)(3) of this title are  
14 met, a person:

15 1. Using a regulated shooting ground under § 10-906 of  
16 this title to hunt the following pen-reared game birds:

17 A. Pheasants;

18 B. Bobwhite quail;

19 C. Chukar partridge;

20 D. Hungarian partridge;

21 E. Tower released flighted mallard ducks; and

22 F. Turkey on a regulated shooting ground that was  
23 permitted to release turkey before September 1, 1992; and

24 2. Having the written permission of the owner of the  
25 land or other person designated by the owner of the land, if the land is owned or leased  
26 by a person other than the person hunting on Sundays; and

27 (iv) Subject to the provisions of § 10-411 of this subtitle, in  
28 **CALVERT**, Dorchester, ~~PRINCE GEORGE'S~~, St. Mary's, Somerset, Washington,  
29 Wicomico, and Worcester counties, a person hunting deer on private property with a  
30 bow and arrow during open season on the last three Sundays in October and the  
31 second Sunday in November.

1 (3) Provided that the provisions of § 10–415 of this subtitle are met  
2 and subject to paragraph (4) of this subsection, the Department may allow a person to  
3 hunt deer on private property on the first Sunday of:

4 (i) The bow hunting season in November; and

5 (ii) The deer firearms season.

6 (4) The Sunday deer hunting provisions under paragraph (3) of this  
7 subsection do not apply:

8 (i) In Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, ~~AND~~ Howard~~§~~, and Prince  
9 George's~~§~~ counties; and

10 (ii) In Baltimore City.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 July 1, 2009.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.