SENATE BILL 200

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By: Senators Young, Waldstreicher, and Washington
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CHAPTER _____

1  AN ACT concerning
2     Natural Resources – Organized Killing Contests – Restriction
3  FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from sponsoring, conducting, or participating in
4     certain organized contests that have the objective of killing certain wildlife for prizes
5     or monetary awards; providing for the construction of this Act; establishing a certain
6     penalty for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to restrictions on organized
7     killing contests.
8  BY adding to
9     Article – Natural Resources
10    Section 10–427
11    Annotated Code of Maryland
12    (2012 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)
13  SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
14  That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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16     Article – Natural Resources
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18     10–427.
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20     (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON MAY NOT
21     SPONSOR, CONDUCT, OR PARTICIPATE IN A CONTEST ORGANIZED IN THE STATE

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.
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THAT HAS THE OBJECTIVE OF KILLING A COYOTE, FOX, OR RACCOON FOR PRIZES OR
MONETARY REWARDS.

(B) THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO PROHIBIT:

(1) A LANDOWNER OR THE LANDOWNER’S AGENT OR LESSEE FROM
KILLING COYOTES, FOXES, OR RACCOONS ON PROPERTY OF THE LANDOWNER,
PROVIDED THAT THE KILLING IS NOT PART OF AN ORGANIZED CONTEST; OR

(2) LAWFUL DOG TRAINING OR DOG PERFORMANCE COMPETITIONS.

(C) A PERSON IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF $25 $100 FOR EACH COYOTE, FOX,
OR RACCOON KILLED IN VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
1, 2021.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.