

HOUSE BILL 500

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ENROLLED BILL

-- Environmental Matters/Economic and Environmental Affairs --

Introduced by **Delegates Weir and Schisler, Schisler, Klausmeier, Ports, Redmer, and Elliott**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources - Hunting - Deer**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish an
4 early black powder season for deer on certain days in October; requiring the
5 Department to limit hunting during a certain weekend of early black powder
6 season to antlerless deer; requiring the Department to establish antlered and
7 antlerless deer requirements in certain regions; providing for the termination of
8 this Act; and generally relating to deer hunting.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article - Natural Resources
11 Section 10-415(c)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1990 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

14 BY adding to

1 Article - Natural Resources
2 Section 10-415(h)
3 Annotated Code of Maryland
4 (1990 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

7 **Article - Natural Resources**

8 10-415.

9 (c) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle, a person with a
10 consolidated hunting license also may purchase bonus deer stamps for each type of
11 deer hunting season from the Department.

12 (2) A bonus deer stamp allows the person with the consolidated hunting
13 license to hunt 1 extra deer for each stamp purchased in any of the following hunting
14 seasons for deer in the State for which the person has purchased a bonus deer stamp:

15 (i) Bow and arrow season;

16 (ii) Black powder season; and

17 (iii) Firearms season.

18 (3) The fee for each bonus deer stamp issued in accordance with this
19 subsection shall be \$5.00 for residents and \$25 for nonresidents.

20 (4) (I) The Department may establish by regulation the type and
21 number of deer stamps issued under this subsection if necessary to control the deer
22 harvest in various areas of the State.

23 (II) 1. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH BY REGULATION AN
24 EARLY BLACK POWDER SEASON ON TWO CONSECUTIVE FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS IN
25 OCTOBER.

26 2. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL LIMIT HUNTING DURING THE
27 ~~FIRST SECOND~~ WEEKEND OF THE EARLY BLACK POWDER SEASON TO ANTLERLESS
28 DEER ONLY.

29 (H) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH ANTLERED AND ANTLERLESS DEER
30 HUNTING REQUIREMENTS IN EACH DEER MANAGEMENT REGION TO MEET THE
31 GOALS OF THE DEER MANAGEMENT PLAN.

32 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
33 July 1, 1999. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the June 30, 2001,
34 with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated
35 and of no further force and effect.

