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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; and generally relating to deer  
8 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  
15 Article - Natural Resources  
16 Section 10-415(h)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (1990 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

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**Article - Natural Resources**

2 10-415.

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

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

9 (i) Bow and arrow season;

10 (ii) Black powder season; and

11 (iii) Firearms season.

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

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

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

20 2. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL LIMIT HUNTING DURING THE  
21 FIRST WEEKEND OF THE EARLY BLACK POWDER SEASON TO ANTLERLESS DEER  
22 ONLY.

23 (H) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH ANTLERED AND ANTLERLESS DEER  
24 HUNTING REQUIREMENTS IN EACH DEER MANAGEMENT REGION TO MEET THE  
25 GOALS OF THE DEER MANAGEMENT PLAN.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
27 July 1, 1999.