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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Deer - Hunting Seasons - Federal Facility

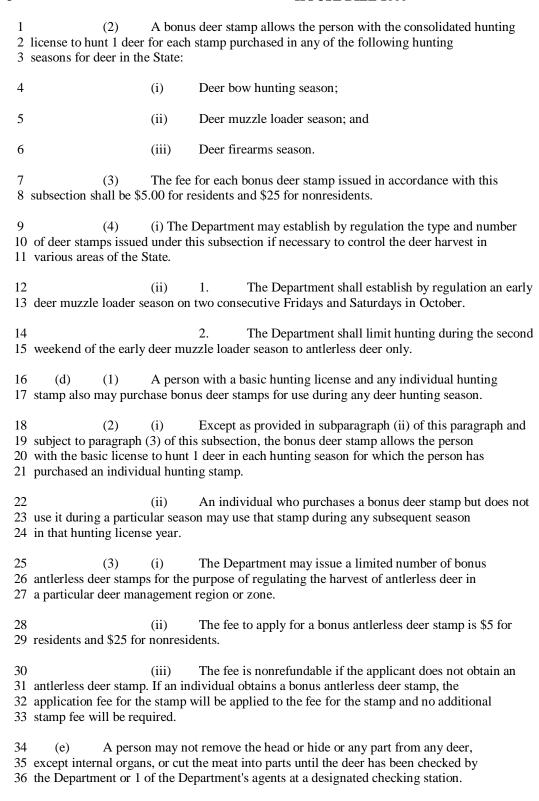
- 3 FOR the purpose of providing an exception to bag limits established by the
- 4 Department of Natural Resources for certain federal facilities; requiring the
- 5 Department to authorize certain federal facilities to establish their deer hunting
- 6 seasons and bag limits; defining a certain term; and generally relating to deer
- 7 hunting seasons for a federal facility.

8 BY renumbering

- 9 Article Natural Resources
- Section 10-101(f) through (aa), respectively
- to be Section 10-101(g) through (bb), respectively
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2000 Replacement Volume)
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 15 Article Natural Resources
- 16 Section 10-101(e) and 10-409
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2000 Replacement Volume)
- 19 BY adding to
- 20 Article Natural Resources
- 21 Section 10-101(e)
- 22 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 23 (2000 Replacement Volume)
- 24 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 25 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 10-101(f) through (aa), respectively, of Article Natural
- 26 Resources of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s)
- 27 10-101(g) through (bb), respectively.

1 2	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:		
3			Article - Natural Resources
4	10-101.		
5	(E)	(1)	"FEDERAL FACILITY" MEANS FEDERAL LAND IN THE STATE.
6 7	WILDLIFE	(2) REFUGE	"FEDERAL FACILITY" INCLUDES MILITARY BASES, NATIONAL ES, AND UNITS OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM.
10	excluding th	ne Delma	"Forest game birds and mammals" means forest game birds (ruffed d forest game mammals (black bears, deer, fox squirrels, rva subspecies, and gray and red squirrels) or any part, egg, dy of any of them.
12	10-409.		
15 16 17	(A) [Pursuant to] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, UNDER § 10-205 of this title, the Department shall establish and publish by April 25 each year the bag limits per day for game birds and mammals by regulation for the ensuing year. The bag limits for ducks, geese, brant, railbirds, woodcock, mergansers, doves, and snipe may conform to the federal migratory bird rules and regulations adopted annually by the Secretary of Interior of the United States.		
19 20	(B) FEDERAL		ECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO BAG LIMITS FOR DEER HUNTING ON A 'Y.
21	10-415.		
22	(a)	There as	re the following 3 seasons to hunt deer:
23		(1)	Deer bow hunting season;
24		(2)	Deer firearms season; and
25		(3)	Deer muzzle loader season.
26 27	(b) checking sta	(1) ation with	Every person killing a deer shall report with the deer to a designated in 24 hours after killing the deer.
30	police office	er shall aı	Notwithstanding any requirement of law, if the designated checking the county where a person kills a deer, a Natural Resources athorize the person to report with the deer to a designated nother county.
	(c) consolidated Department		Subject to subsection (d)(3) of this section, a person with a license also may purchase bonus deer stamps from the

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- 1 Removal of the head or the hide of any deer not checked at a designated checking
- 2 station shall be prima facie evidence that the deer was hunted illegally. Each separate
- 3 deer or part of any deer taken illegally or found in possession shall be considered a
- 4 separate offense.
- 5 (f) Any person who, while operating a motor vehicle on any highway in the
- 6 State, accidentally strikes and kills a deer on the highway may have the deer if the
- 7 person produces visible evidence of collision with the deer to any Natural Resources
- 8 police officer, State law enforcement officer, or other designated representative of the
- 9 Secretary. The provisions of this subsection shall be applicable to deer killed by
- 10 collision with a motor vehicle at any time whether during the open season for killing
- 11 deer or during the legally closed season.
- 12 (g) A person may not hunt a deer while the deer is taking refuge in or
- 13 swimming through the waters of the State.
- 14 (h) The Department shall establish antlered and antlerless deer hunting
- 15 requirements in each deer management region to meet the goals of the Deer
- 16 Management Plan.
- 17 (I) UPON WRITTEN REQUEST FROM A FEDERAL FACILITY, THE DEPARTMENT
- 18 SHALL AUTHORIZE THE FEDERAL FACILITY TO ESTABLISH ITS OWN DEER HUNTING
- 19 SEASON AND BAG LIMITS.
- 20 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 21 October 1, 2001.