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By: **Harford County Delegation**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Deer Hunting on Private Property – Sundays**

3 FOR the purpose of removing Harford County from the list of counties in which deer
4 hunting on private property on certain Sundays is prohibited; providing for the
5 effective date of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the termination of
6 certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to deer hunting on private
7 property on Sundays.

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9 Article – Natural Resources
10 Section 10–410(a)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2007 Replacement Volume)

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18 (As enacted by Chapter 361 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006)

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**

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 10-410.

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

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

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

8 (ii) An unarmed person participating in an organized fox chase
9 to chase foxes;

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

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

14 A. Pheasants;

15 B. Bobwhite quail;

16 C. Chukar partridge;

17 D. Hungarian partridge;

18 E. Tower released flighted mallard ducks; and

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

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

24 (iv) Subject to the provisions of § 10-411 of this subtitle, in
25 Dorchester, St. Mary's, Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties, a person hunting
26 deer on private property with a bow and arrow during open season on the last three
27 Sundays in October and the second Sunday in November.

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

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

1 (ii) The deer firearms season.

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

4 (i) In Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, [Harford,] Howard, and
5 Prince George's counties; and

6 (ii) In Baltimore City.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland
8 read as follows:

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16 subsection do not apply:

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18 Montgomery, and Prince George’s counties; and

19 (ii) In Baltimore City.

20 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall
21 take effect on the taking effect of the termination provision specified in Section 2 of
22 Chapter 361 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006. If that termination provision
23 takes effect, Section 1 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.
24 This Act may not be interpreted to have any effect on that termination provision.

25 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions
26 of Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008.