

# SENATE BILL 878

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By: **Senators Glassman and Jacobs**

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Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

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.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Natural Resources  
10 Section 10–410(a)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2007 Replacement Volume)

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15 Section 10–410(a)  
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17 (2007 Replacement Volume)  
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**

22 10–410.

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

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

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

5                   (ii) An unarmed person participating in an organized fox chase  
6 to chase foxes;

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

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

11                   A. Pheasants;

12                   B. Bobwhite quail;

13                   C. Chukar partridge;

14                   D. Hungarian partridge;

15                   E. Tower released flighted mallard ducks; and

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

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

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

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

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

29                   (ii) The deer firearms season.

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

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

3 (ii) In Baltimore City.

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

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7 10–410.

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

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11 mammals on Sundays:

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13 mammals during open season;

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15 to chase foxes;

16 (iii) Provided that the provisions of § 10–906(b)(3) of this title are  
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19 this title to hunt the following pen-reared game birds:

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12 (i) In Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, [Harford,] Howard,  
13 Montgomery, and Prince George’s counties; and

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

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