

HOUSE BILL 1065

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By: **Delegates O'Donnell and Ross**

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Calvert County and Prince George's County - Deer Hunting**
3 **on Private Lands - Sundays**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing a person in Calvert County or Prince George's County
5 to hunt deer on certain Sundays on private property with a bow and arrow;
6 removing Prince George's County from the list of counties in which deer hunting
7 on private lands on certain Sundays is prohibited; and generally relating to deer
8 hunting on private lands on Sundays.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article - Natural Resources
11 Section 10-405(a)(2)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article - Natural Resources
16 Section 10-410(a)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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 10-405.

23 (a) (2) Except as provided under § 10-410 of this subtitle, the Department
24 may not authorize hunting on a Sunday.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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 **CALVERT**, **Dorchester**, **PRINCE GEORGE'S**, **St. Mary's**, **Somerset**, **Washington**,
26 **Wicomico**, and **Worcester** counties, a person hunting deer on private property with a
27 bow and arrow during open season on the last three Sundays in October and the
28 second Sunday in November.

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

32 (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, **AND** Howard[, and Prince
5 George's] counties; and

6 (ii) In Baltimore City.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 July 1, 2009.