

HOUSE BILL 514

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ENROLLED BILL

— *Environment and Transportation/Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs* —

Introduced by **Charles County Delegation**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County – Natural Resources – Sunday Hunting**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person in
4 Charles County to hunt any game bird or game mammal *during a certain time period*
5 on ~~a Sunday~~ *certain Sundays* during the open season for that game bird or game
6 mammal; and generally relating to Sunday hunting in Charles County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article – Natural Resources
9 Section 10–410(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

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.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 **Article – Natural Resources**

2 10–410.

3 (a) (1) **(I)** The Department may allow a person to hunt on each Sunday of
4 the game bird and game mammal seasons in:

5 ~~(i)~~ **1.** Allegany County;

6 ~~(ii)~~ **2.** Cecil County;

7 ~~(iii)~~ **CHARLES COUNTY;**

8 **3. SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS**
9 **PARAGRAPH, CHARLES COUNTY, FROM 30 MINUTES BEFORE SUNRISE UNTIL 10:30**
10 **A.M.;**

11 ~~(iv)~~ **4.** Garrett County;

12 [(iv)] ~~(v)~~ **5.** St. Mary's County; and

13 [(v)] ~~(vi)~~ **6.** Washington County.

14 **(II) THE TIME RESTRICTIONS UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I)3 OF**
15 **THIS PARAGRAPH DO NOT APPLY:**

16 **1. ON EACH SUNDAY DURING THE DEER FIREARMS**
17 **SEASON;**

18 **2. ON THE LAST THREE SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER AND THE**
19 **FIRST TWO SUNDAYS IN NOVEMBER DURING THE DEER BOW HUNTING SEASON; AND**

20 **3. ON EACH SUNDAY OF THE SPRING TURKEY HUNTING**
21 **SEASON.**

22 (2) The Department may allow a person to hunt deer on each Sunday of the
23 deer hunting seasons from the first Sunday in October through the second Sunday in
24 January, inclusive, in:

25 (i) Carroll County;

26 (ii) Dorchester County; and

27 (iii) Frederick County.

- 1 2. Talbot County; and
- 2 (iii) In Wicomico County, on:
- 3 1. The first Sunday; and
- 4 2. The second Sunday from 30 minutes before sunrise until
- 5 10:30 a.m.

6 (5) The Department may allow a person to hunt deer during the deer bow

7 hunting season on:

8 (i) The last three Sundays in October and the first two Sundays in

9 November in:

- 10 1. Calvert County;
- 11 2. Caroline County;
- 12 3. [Charles County;
- 13 4.] Harford County;
- 14 [5.] 4. Queen Anne's County;
- 15 [6.] 5. Somerset County;
- 16 [7.] 6. Talbot County;
- 17 [8.] 7. Wicomico County; and
- 18 [9.] 8. Worcester County; and

19 (ii) The first Sunday in November in Anne Arundel County.

20 (6) The Department may allow a person to hunt turkey on each Sunday of

21 the spring turkey hunting season in:

- 22 (i) Calvert County;
- 23 (ii) Caroline County;
- 24 (iii) Carroll County;
- 25 (iv) [Charles County;

1 (v) Dorchester County; and

2 [(vi)] (v) Kent County.

3 (7) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle, the Department
4 may allow a person with a deer management permit to shoot deer on any Sunday
5 throughout the year in accordance with the terms of the permit.

6 (8) The Department may allow a person using a State certified raptor to
7 hunt game birds or mammals on each Sunday during the open season for the game birds
8 or mammals.

9 (9) The Department may allow an unarmed person participating in an
10 organized fox chase to chase foxes on Sunday.

11 (10) The Department may allow a person shooting pen-reared game birds
12 or tower-released flighted mallard ducks to hunt on Sunday at a regulated shooting ground
13 in accordance with § 10-906 of this title.

14 (11) The Department may allow a person who is 16 years old or younger to
15 hunt on Sunday if participating in a junior hunt established by the Department in
16 accordance with this subtitle.

17 (12) Except as provided in paragraphs (8) through (10) of this subsection and
18 subject to paragraph (7) of this subsection, a person may not hunt on Sunday in:

19 (i) Baltimore City;

20 (ii) Baltimore County;

21 (iii) Howard County; or

22 (iv) Prince George's County.

23 (13) A person may not hunt migratory game birds on Sunday.

24 (14) A person may not hunt on public land within the State park system on
25 Sunday.

26 (15) The Department may not allow a person to hunt on public land
27 designated for hunting by the Department on Sunday except in:

28 (i) Allegany County;

29 (ii) Cecil County;

30 (iii) Garrett County;

- 1 (iv) St. Mary’s County;
- 2 (v) Washington County;
- 3 (vi) Dorchester County, for turkey during the spring turkey hunting
- 4 season; and
- 5 (vii) Frederick County, for deer from the first Sunday in October
- 6 through the second Sunday in January of the following year, inclusive.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
 8 1, 2022.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.