

SENATE BILL 796

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By: **Senator Mautz**

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Dorchester County – Sunday Hunting – Repeal of Time Restriction**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing the time restrictions that apply to Sunday hunting in
4 Dorchester County; and generally relating to Sunday hunting.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6 Article – Natural Resources
7 Section 10–410(a)(1)
8 Annotated Code of Maryland
9 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

12 **Article – Natural Resources**

13 10–410.

14 (a) (1) (i) The Department may allow a person to hunt on each Sunday of
15 the game bird and game mammal seasons in:

16 1. Allegany County;

17 2. Subject to subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph, Calvert
18 County, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.;

19 3. Subject to subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph, Caroline
20 County, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.;

21 4. Cecil County;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 5. Subject to subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph, Charles
2 County, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.;

3 6. [Subject to subparagraph (iv) of this paragraph,]
4 Dorchester County[, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.];

5 7. Garrett County;

6 8. Subject to subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph, Queen
7 Anne's County, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.;

8 9. St. Mary's County;

9 10. Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, Somerset
10 County, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.;

11 11. Washington County;

12 12. Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, Worcester
13 County, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.; and

14 13. Subject to subparagraph [(v)] (IV) of this paragraph,
15 Wicomico County, from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.

16 (ii) The time restrictions under subparagraph (i)10 and 12 of this
17 paragraph do not apply:

18 1. On each Sunday of the deer firearms season; and

19 2. On the last three Sundays in October and the first two
20 Sundays in November of the deer bow hunting season.

21 (iii) The time restrictions under subparagraph (i)2, 3, 5, and 8 of this
22 paragraph do not apply:

23 1. On each Sunday during the deer firearms season;

24 2. On the last three Sundays in October and the first two
25 Sundays in November during the deer bow hunting season; and

26 3. On each Sunday of the spring turkey hunting season.

27 (iv) [The time restrictions under subparagraph (i)6 of this paragraph
28 do not apply:

29 1. On each Sunday of the deer hunting seasons from the first
30 Sunday in October through the second Sunday in January, inclusive; and

