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SB 417
Carroll County - Natural Resources - Sunday Hunting

Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan and member of the Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee:

Senate Bill 417 would expand Sunday hunting of game birds and game mammals to include all Sundays in the State's defined deer season. Currently, Carroll County hunters have limited opportunities for Sunday hunting. While deer hunting season spans from early September through January, only 15 of the 22 Sundays in this period permit hunting. SB 417 would expand access to the remaining seven Sundays, aligning Carroll County with other Maryland counties including Alleghany, Cecil, Garrett, St. Mary's and Washington.

Hunting plays a vital role in Carroll County's economy, conservation efforts, and wildlife management. Expanding Sunday hunting would increase access for residents who work or attend school during the week, ensuring more individuals can participate in Maryland's hunting traditions.

SB 417 passed the Carroll County Delegation 6-0. I respectfully request a favorable on SB 417.