
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY GOODMAN, GILLESPIE, HARHAI, FARINA, READSHAW,
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MILLARD, MOUL, MURT, REGAN, ROZZI, SCHLOSSBERG AND WARD,
FEBRUARY 17, 2016

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, FEBRUARY 17, 2016

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in Pennsylvania Game Commission, further providing
3 for junior hunter projects; and, in hunting and furtaking
4 licenses, further providing for unlawful acts concerning
5 licenses.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 327 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania
9 Consolidated Statutes is repealed:

10 [§ 327. Junior hunter projects.

11 (a) General rule.--It shall be the duty of the commission to
12 initiate, implement and administer two or more junior license
13 hunter projects for the purpose of increasing and sustaining
14 interest in hunting among young persons of this Commonwealth.
15 Except for the requirement to actually hold a junior hunting
16 license under section 2705(2) or (9) (relating to classes of
17 licenses) and as may otherwise be modified by commission
18 regulations, all participants in any junior hunter project shall

1 comply with all of the provisions of this title and the
2 regulations promulgated hereunder.

3 (b) Specific projects.--

4 (1) One of the projects shall consist of at least two
5 free hunting days for persons qualified to receive a junior
6 hunting license under section 2705(2) or (9) and who have
7 successfully completed the hunter education requirements
8 under section 2704(b) (relating to eligibility for license).
9 The commission shall establish the days, times and species
10 which may be taken during the free hunting days.

11 (2) One of the projects shall consist of a Pennsylvania
12 Game Commission program subject to the review of both the
13 Game and Fisheries Committee of the House of Representatives
14 and the Game and Fisheries Committee of the Senate. The
15 respective committees shall have 60 days to review the
16 program and submit comments to the commission. Prior to
17 completion of the review by the respective committees, the
18 commission shall not take any action to initiate the
19 program.]

20 Section 2. Section 2711(a.1) of Title 34 is amended to read:
21 § 2711. Unlawful acts concerning licenses.

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23 (a.1) Exemption.--For the sole purpose of implementing and
24 enhancing a mentored hunting program within this Commonwealth,
25 the commission [may] shall establish regulations exempting
26 certain limited hunting activities from the prohibitions
27 specified in subsection (a)(1), (3), (5) and (8). Such exemption
28 shall include a provision limiting a mentored person
29 participating in a mentored hunting program to the receipt of no
30 more than one antlerless deer license in each license year. A

1 person [17] 12 years of age or older may participate in a
2 mentored hunting program as a mentored hunter in no more than
3 three licensing years.

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5 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.