

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL  
No. 1265 Session of  
1997

INTRODUCED BY GODSHALL, APRIL 9, 1997

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, APRIL 9, 1997

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, further providing for the hunting season for deer.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Title 34 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
6 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

7 § 328. Deer season.

8 (a) General rule.--Except for special regulation areas under  
9 subsection (b) and notwithstanding any other provision of this  
10 title or the regulations promulgated under this title, the deer  
11 season for the license year July 1, 1997, to June 30, 1998, and  
12 for each license year thereafter shall be as follows:

13 (1) Archery deer season, a period of not more than two  
14 consecutive weeks in the fall between September 30 and  
15 November 15 of each license year.

16 (2) Regular rifle season for deer, a period of not more  
17 than two consecutive weeks beginning on the first Monday

1     following Thanksgiving in each license year.

2             (3) Muzzleloader deer season, a period of not more than  
3     two consecutive weeks following the close of the regular  
4     rifle deer season.

5     Hunters shall be limited to one antlered deer having two or more  
6     points or a spike which is at least three inches long. Hunters  
7     shall be further limited to one antlered deer per license year.

8             (b) Special regulation areas.--The commission shall continue  
9     to enforce the seasons and bag limits on deer in special  
10    regulation areas which were in effect on July 1, 1996.

11            (c) Construction of section.--Insofar as this section  
12    relates to the hunting of deer, the provisions of this section,  
13    except where otherwise noted, shall supersede any existing  
14    commission regulations on the season and bag limits for deer.

15     Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.