

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 779 Session of 2009

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MURT, PALLONE, PYLE, K. SMITH, WHITE AND YUDICHAK,
MARCH 25, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, MARCH 25, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, repealing provisions
3 relating to Sunday hunting prohibition.

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

6 Section 1. Section 2303 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is repealed:

8 [§ 2303. Hunting on Sunday prohibited.

9 (a) General rule.--Except as otherwise provided in this
10 title, it is unlawful for any person to hunt for any furbearer
11 or game on Sunday.

12 (b) Construction of section.--This section shall not be
13 construed to prohibit:

14 (1) The training of dogs.

15 (2) The participation in dog trials as provided for in
16 this title.

17 (3) The removal of lawfully taken game or wildlife from

traps or the resetting of the traps on Sunday.

(b.1) Exceptions.--Subsection (a) shall not apply to:

(1) The hunting of foxes.

(2) The hunting of coyotes.

(3) Any hunting which occurs on noncommercial regulated hunting grounds holding a valid permit under section 2928(b)

(2) (relating to regulated hunting grounds permits).

(c) Penalty.--A violation of this section is a summary offense of the fifth degree.]

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, or immediately, whichever is later.