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 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA
 

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# HOUSE BILL

No. 263      Session of  
2015

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INTRODUCED BY GABLER, CAUSER, METZGAR, MULLERY, KORTZ, MOUL,  
HANNA, JOZWIAK AND DUSH, FEBRUARY 2, 2015

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AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, IN SENATE, OCTOBER 25, 2016

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, IN HUNTING AND FURTAKING, further providing for <--  
3 unlawful devices and methods; AND, IN HUNTING AND FURTAKING <--  
4 LICENSES, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR ELK HUNTING LICENSES.

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

7 ~~Section 1. Section 2308(a)(5) of Title 34 of the~~ <--  
8 ~~Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is repealed:~~

9 ~~SECTION 1. SECTIONS 2308(A)(5) AND 2706.2(C)(6) OF TITLE 34~~ <--  
10 ~~OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE REPEALED:~~

11 SECTION 1. SECTION 2308(A)(2) AND (5) OF TITLE 34 OF THE <--  
12 PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED AND THE SECTION  
13 IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:

14 § 2308. Unlawful devices and methods.

15 (a) General rule.--Except as otherwise provided in this  
16 title, it is unlawful for any person to hunt or aid, abet,  
17 assist or conspire to hunt any game or wildlife through the use  
18 of:

1 \* \* \* <--  
2 (2) A SEMIAUTOMATIC RIFLE OR PISTOL, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH  
3 IN SUBSECTION (B.1).

4 \* \* \*  
5 [(5) Any device operated by air, chemical or gas  
6 cylinder by which a projectile of any size or kind can be  
7 discharged or propelled.]

8 \* \* \*  
9 (B.1) ADDITIONAL EXCEPTION.--A SEMIAUTOMATIC RIFLE MAY BE <--  
10 USED TO HUNT GAME IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY  
11 THE COMMISSION.

12 \* \* \*  
13 SECTION 2. SECTION 2706.2(C)(6) OF TITLE 34 IS AMENDED TO  
14 READ:

15 § 2706.2. ELK HUNTING LICENSES. <--

16 \* \* \*  
17 (C) SPECIAL-LICENSE FUNDRAISER.--IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER  
18 ELK LICENSE PROVIDED FOR UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSION MAY  
19 HOLD A SPECIAL-LICENSE FUNDRAISER FOR HUNTERS INTERESTED IN THE  
20 OPPORTUNITY TO HUNT ONE ELK, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:

21 \* \* \*  
22 [(6) THIS SUBSECTION SHALL EXPIRE JULY 1, 2018.]

23 \* \* \*  
24 ~~Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.~~ <--

25 SECTION 3. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS FOLLOWS: <--

26 (1) THE AMENDMENT OF 34 PA.C.S. §§ 2308(A)(5) AND  
27 2706.2(C)(6) SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN 60 DAYS.

28 (2) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT  
29 IMMEDIATELY.