

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1057 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY REED, COHEN, CUTLER, EVERETT, GEIST, GOODMAN, HARHART, HEFFLEY, HENNESSEY, HUTCHINSON, M. K. KELLER, MILLARD, PYLE, RAPP AND SCAVELLO, MARCH 15, 2011

AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MARCH 26, 2012

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, IN HUNTING AND FURTAKING, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR
3 PENALTIES; AND, in protection of property and persons,
4 further providing for safety zones.



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

7 Section 1. Section 2505(c) of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:



9 SECTION 1. SECTIONS 2364 AND 2505(C) OF TITLE 34 OF THE
10 PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED TO READ:



11 § 2364. PENALTIES.

12 ANY VIOLATION OF THIS SUBCHAPTER RELATING TO BOBCAT OR OTTER
13 IS A SUMMARY OFFENSE OF THE FOURTH DEGREE. ANY VIOLATION OF
14 SECTION 2361(A)(11) (RELATING TO UNLAWFUL ACTS CONCERNING TAKING
15 OF FURBEARERS) IS A SUMMARY OFFENSE OF THE FIRST DEGREE. EXCEPT
16 FOR THREATENED OR ENDANGERED SPECIES, ANY OTHER VIOLATION OF
17 THIS SUBCHAPTER IS A SUMMARY OFFENSE OF THE FIFTH DEGREE.

18 § 2505. Safety zones.

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2 (c) Definition.--As used in this section, the term "safety  
3 zone" means:

4 (1) Except as otherwise provided in [paragraph (2)]  
5 paragraphs (2) and (3), the area within 150 yards around and  
6 that area which is below the highest point of any occupied  
7 dwelling house, residence, or other building or camp occupied  
8 by human beings, or any barn, stable, or other building used  
9 in connection therewith or any attached or detached  
10 playground of any school, nursery school or day-care center.

11 (2) When applied to properly licensed persons hunting  
12 with bow and arrow or crossbow and persons properly licensed  
13 for falconry, the area within 50 yards around and that area  
14 which is below the highest point of any occupied dwelling  
15 house, residence or other building or camp occupied by human  
16 beings or any barn, stable or other building used in  
17 connection therewith and the area within 150 yards around and  
18 that area which is below the highest point of any attached or  
19 detached playground of any school, nursery school or day-care  
20 center.

21 (3) When applied to properly licensed furtakers trapping  
22 within a permanent watercourse and using traps submerged in  
23 water, or making use of any special permit issued in  
24 accordance with this title or commission regulations, the  
25 area within 50 yards around any occupied dwelling house,  
26 residence or other building or camp occupied by human beings,  
27 or any barn, stable or other building used in connection  
28 therewith and the area within 150 yards around any attached  
29 or detached playground of any school, nursery school or day-  
30 care center.

1 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.