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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

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VULAKOVICH AND WHEATLEY, JUNE 29, 2011

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, JUNE 29, 2011

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, permitting hunting on Sunday.

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

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6 Consolidated Statutes is repealed:

7 [§ 2303. Hunting on Sunday prohibited.

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

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

13 (1) The training of dogs.

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

16 (3) The removal of lawfully taken game or wildlife from  
17 traps or the resetting of the traps on Sunday.

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

2 (1) The hunting of foxes.

3 (2) The hunting of coyotes.

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

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

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

9 Section 2. Title 34 is amended by adding a section to read:

10 § 2303.1. Hunting on Sunday.

11 (a) General rule.--It shall be lawful for any person to hunt  
12 for any furbearer or game on Sunday as provided by regulations  
13 promulgated under subsection (b).

14 (b) Regulations.--The commission shall institute Sunday  
15 hunting and shall promulgate appropriate regulations under  
16 section 2102 (relating to regulations) within one year of the  
17 effective date of this section.

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