THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL No. 71 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY ALLOWAY, BREWSTER, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, AUMENT, VANCE AND WHITE, JANUARY 14, 2015

REFERRED TO GAME AND FISHERIES, JANUARY 14, 2015

AN ACT

1 2 3 4 5	Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in enforcement, further providing for powers and duties of enforcement officers; and, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for the offense of trespass on private property while hunting.
6	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7	hereby enacts as follows:
8	Section 1. Section 901(a) of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania
9	Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:
10	§ 901. Powers and duties of enforcement officers.
11	(a) PowersAny officer whose duty it is to enforce this
12	title or any officer investigating any alleged violation of this
13	title shall have the power and duty to:
14	* * *
15	(20) Enforce the provisions of section 2314 (relating to
16	trespass on private property while hunting). This shall
17	include the ability to issue citations for violations of
18	section 2314.
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Section 2. Section 2314 of Title 34 is amended to read:
 2 § 2314. Trespass on private property while hunting.

3 (a) General rule.--Any person who while violating any 4 provision of this title or any regulations promulgated under 5 this title [and who in addition] is found to be trespassing as 6 defined in 18 Pa.C.S. § 3503 (relating to criminal trespass) 7 shall be in violation of this section.

8 (b) Penalty.--[A violation of this section] <u>Except as</u>
9 <u>otherwise provided in subsection (c)</u>:

10 (1) A violation of this section is a summary offense of 11 the [fifth] <u>third</u> degree.

12 (2) A second or subsequent violation of this section 13 within a seven-year period is a summary offense of the fifth 14 degree and may result in forfeiture of the privilege to hunt 15 or take game or wildlife anywhere within this Commonwealth 16 for a period of one year.

17 <u>(c) Separate grading of violations.--A person commits a</u>

18 misdemeanor of the first degree if he violates subsection (a):

19 (1) after a verbal or written warning was given; or

20 (2) for the purpose of hunting or furtaking.

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

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