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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 1115 Session of  
2015

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INTRODUCED BY SCAVELLO, McILHINNEY, ARGALL, TEPLITZ, VULAKOVICH,  
RAFFERTY, BARTOLOTTA, STEFANO AND RESCHENTHALER,  
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REFERRED TO GAME AND FISHERIES, JANUARY 22, 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 dogs pursuing, injuring or killing big game.

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

6 Section 1. Section 2383 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 2383. Dogs pursuing, injuring or killing big game.

9 (a) General rule.--Except as provided in subsection (b), it  
10 is unlawful for any person to make use of a dog in any manner to  
11 hunt for or to take big game or to permit a dog owned,  
12 controlled or harbored by that person to pursue, harass, chase,  
13 scatter, injure or make use of a dog to kill any big game.

14 (b) Exception.--It shall be lawful to [make] do any of the  
15 following:

16 (1) Make use of a dog to pursue, chase, scatter and  
17 track wild turkeys during the fall wild turkey season.

18 (2) Make use of a leashed tracking dog to track a white-

1 tailed deer or bear in an attempt to recover an animal which  
2 has been legally killed or wounded during any open season for  
3 white-tailed deer or bear.

4 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.