

HOUSE BILL 672

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By: **Delegate Glass**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2014

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – Sunday Hunting – Deer Bow Hunting Season**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to hunt deer on private property in Harford
4 County on any Sunday during the deer bow hunting season, subject to certain
5 provisions of law; and generally relating to hunting in Harford County.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article – Natural Resources
8 Section 10–410(a)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article – Natural Resources**

14 10–410.

15 (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (6), and (7) of this
16 subsection, a person may not hunt any game bird or mammal on Sundays.

17 (2) The following persons may hunt the specified game birds and
18 mammals on Sundays:

19 (i) A person using State certified raptors to hunt game birds or
20 mammals during open season;

21 (ii) An unarmed person participating in an organized fox chase
22 to chase foxes;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (iii) Provided that the provisions of § 10–906(b)(3) of this title are
2 met, a person:

3 1. Using a regulated shooting ground under § 10–906 of
4 this title to hunt the following pen-reared game birds:

5 A. Pheasants;

6 B. Bobwhite quail;

7 C. Chukar partridge;

8 D. Hungarian partridge;

9 E. Tower released flighted mallard ducks; and

10 F. Turkey on a regulated shooting ground that was
11 permitted to release turkey before September 1, 1992; and

12 2. Having the written permission of the owner of the
13 land or other person designated by the owner of the land, if the land is owned or leased
14 by a person other than the person hunting on Sundays;

15 (iv) Subject to the provisions of [§] §§ 10–411 AND 10–415 of
16 this subtitle[, in]:

17 1. IN Allegany, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Charles,
18 Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett, [Harford,] Queen Anne’s, St. Mary’s, Somerset, Talbot,
19 Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester counties, a person hunting deer on private
20 property with a bow and arrow or crossbow during open season on the last three
21 Sundays in October and the second Sunday in November; AND

22 2. IN HARFORD COUNTY, A PERSON HUNTING DEER
23 ON PRIVATE PROPERTY ON ANY SUNDAY DURING THE DEER BOW HUNTING
24 SEASON;

25 (v) Except on Easter Sunday, in Allegany County and Garrett
26 County, a person hunting turkey on the last Sunday in April and the first Sunday in
27 May;

28 (vi) In Calvert County, Caroline County, Charles County,
29 Dorchester County, and St. Mary’s County, a person hunting turkey on private
30 property on any Sunday during the spring turkey hunting season; and

1 (vii) In Dorchester County, a person hunting turkey on public
2 land that is designated for hunting by the Department on any Sunday during the
3 spring turkey hunting season.

4 (3) Subject to the provisions of § 10–415 of this subtitle, in Calvert
5 County, Caroline County, Charles County, Harford County, Queen Anne’s County, St.
6 Mary’s County, Somerset County, and Worcester County, a person may hunt deer on
7 private property on:

8 (i) The first Sunday of the bow hunting season in November;
9 and

10 (ii) Each Sunday in the deer firearms season.

11 (4) Provided that the provisions of § 10–415 of this subtitle are met
12 and subject to paragraph (5) of this subsection, the Department may allow a person to
13 hunt deer on private property on the first Sunday of:

14 (i) The bow hunting season in November; and

15 (ii) The deer firearms season.

16 (5) The Sunday deer hunting provisions under paragraph (4) of this
17 subsection do not apply:

18 (i) In Baltimore, Howard, and Prince George’s counties; and

19 (ii) In Baltimore City.

20 (6) (i) This paragraph applies only in Carroll County.

21 (ii) Subject to §§ 10–411 and 10–415 of this subtitle, the
22 Department may allow a person to hunt deer on a Sunday on private property from
23 the first Sunday in October through the second Sunday in January of the following
24 year, inclusive.

25 (7) A person who is 16 years of age or younger may hunt deer with a
26 firearm on a Sunday through participation in the junior deer hunt established under §
27 10–405(a) of this subtitle.

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 July 1, 2014.