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17103783D **HOUSE BILL NO. 1938** 1 2 House Amendments in [] - February 3, 2017 3 A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 15.2-916, 15.2-1209, 18.2-285, 18.2-286, 29.1-303.3, 29.1-306, 4 29.1-519, 29.1-521, as it is currently effective and as it shall become effective, 29.1-521.2, 29.1-524, 5 29.1-525, 29.1-528.1, and 29.1-549 of the Code of Virginia, relating to slingbow hunting; license. 6 Patron Prior to Engrossment-Delegate Edmunds 7 8 Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That §§ 15.2-916, 15.2-1209, 18.2-285, 18.2-286, 29.1-303.3, 29.1-306, 29.1-519, 29.1-521, as it is 11 currently effective and as it shall become effective, 29.1-521.2, 29.1-524, 29.1-525, 29.1-528.1, and 12 29.1-549 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows: 13 14 § 15.2-916. Prohibiting shooting of compound bows, slingbows, crossbows, longbows and 15 recurve bows. 16 Any locality may prohibit the shooting of an arrow from a bow in a manner that can be reasonably expected to result in the impact of the arrow upon the property of another without permission from the 17 owner or tenant of such property. For the purposes of this section, "bow" includes all compound bows, 18 crossbows, slingbows, longbows, and recurve bows having a peak draw weight of ten 10 pounds or 19 20 more. The term "bow" does not include bows which that have a peak draw weight of less than ten 10 21 pounds or which that are designed or intended to be used principally as toys. The term "arrow" means a 22 shaft-like projectile intended to be shot from a bow. 23 § 15.2-1209. Prohibiting outdoor shooting of firearms or arrows from bows in certain areas. 24 Any county may prohibit the outdoor shooting of firearms or arrows from bows in any areas of the 25 county which are in the opinion of the governing body so heavily populated as to make such conduct dangerous to the inhabitants thereof. 26 27 For purposes of this section, "bow" includes all compound bows, crossbows, *slingbows*, longbows, 28 and recurve bows having a peak draw weight of 10 pounds or more. The term "bow" does not include 29 bows that have a peak draw *weight* of less than 10 pounds or that are designed or intended to be used 30 principally as toys. The term "arrow" means a shaft-like projectile intended to be shot from a bow. Any county that prohibits the outdoor shooting of firearms or arrows from bows shall provide an 31 exemption for the killing of deer pursuant to § 29.1-529. Such exemption for the shooting of firearms 32 shall apply on land of at least five acres that is zoned for agricultural use. Such exemption for the 33 shooting of arrows from bows shall apply on land of at least two acres that is zoned for agricultural use. 34 35 § 18.2-285. Hunting with firearms while under influence of intoxicant or narcotic drug; penalty. 36 It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt wildlife with a firearm, bow and arrow, *slingbow*, or 37 crossbow in the Commonwealth of Virginia while he is (i) under the influence of alcohol; (ii) under the 38 influence of any narcotic drug or any other self-administered intoxicant or drug of whatsoever nature, or 39 any combination of such drugs, to a degree that impairs his ability to hunt with a firearm, bow and 40 arrow, *slingbow*, or crossbow safely; or (iii) under the combined influence of alcohol and any drug or drugs to a degree that impairs his ability to hunt with a firearm, bow and arrow, *slingbow*, or crossbow 41 safely. Any person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. 42 Conservation police officers, sheriffs, and all other law-enforcement officers shall enforce the provisions 43 44 of this section. 45 § 18.2-286. Shooting in or across road or in street. 46 If any person discharges a firearm, crossbow, *slingbow*, or bow and arrow in or across any road, or 47 within the right-of-way thereof, or in a street of any city or town, he shall, for each offense, be guilty of 48 a Class 4 misdemeanor. 49 The provisions of this section shall not apply to firing ranges or shooting matches maintained, and 50 supervised or approved, by law-enforcement officers and military personnel in performance of their 51 lawful duties. 52 § 29.1-303.3. Youth resident and nonresident combination hunting license established; fee. 53 There is hereby established a state youth resident combination hunting license, which may be obtained by any resident under the age of 16 to hunt in all counties and cities of the Commonwealth, 54 55 and to hunt (i) bear, deer, and turkey; (ii) with a bow and arrow or slingbow during the special archery seasons, and (iii) with a crossbow during special archery seasons, and (iv) with a muzzleloader during 56 the special muzzleloading seasons. The fee for this license shall be \$15. The license shall serve in lieu 57 58 of the state junior resident hunting license, the special license for hunting bear, deer, and turkey, the

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59 special archery license, the special crossbow license; and the special muzzleloading license. For a nonresident youth under the age of 16, the fee for such a license shall be \$30. The Board may 60 61 subsequently revise the cost of licenses set forth in this section pursuant to § 29.1-103.

§ 29.1-306. Special archery license, slingbow license, and crossbow license.

63 There shall be a license for hunting with a bow and arrow, *slingbow*, or crossbow, during the special archery seasons, which shall be in addition to the licenses required to hunt small and big game. The fee 64 65 for the special license shall be \$17 for a resident and \$30 for a nonresident. The Board may subsequently revise the cost of licenses set forth in this section pursuant to § 29.1-103. 66 67

§ 29.1-519. Guns, pistols, revolvers, etc., which may be used; penalty.

A. All wild birds and wild animals may be hunted with the following weapons unless shooting is 68 69 expressly prohibited: 70

1. A shotgun or muzzleloading shotgun not larger than 10 gauge;

71 2. An automatic-loading or hand-operated repeating shotgun capable of holding not more than three shells the magazine of which has been cut off or plugged with a one-piece filler incapable of removal 72 through the loading end, so as to reduce the capacity of the gun to not more than three shells at one 73 74 time in the magazine and chamber combined, unless otherwise allowed by Board regulations; 75

3. A rifle, a muzzleloading rifle, or an air rifle;

4. A bow and arrow;

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78 6. A crossbow, which is a type of bow and arrow, in accordance with the provisions of § 29.1-306; 79 and 80

7. A slingshot, except when hunting deer, bear, elk, or turkey; and

8. A slingbow, which is a type of bow and arrow, in accordance with the provisions of § 29.1-306 [except when hunting bear or elk].

83 B. A pistol, muzzleloading pistol, or revolver may be used to hunt nuisance species of birds and 84 animals.

85 C. In the counties west of the Blue Ridge Mountains, and counties east of the Blue Ridge where 86 rifles of a caliber larger than .22 caliber may be used for hunting wild birds and animals, game birds 87 and animals may be hunted with pistols or revolvers firing cartridges rated in manufacturers' tables at 350 foot pounds of energy or greater and under the same restrictions and conditions as apply to rifles, 88 89 provided that no cartridge shall be used with a bullet of less than .23 caliber. In no event shall pistols or 90 revolvers firing cartridges rated in manufacturers' tables at 350 foot pounds of energy or greater be used 91 if rifles of a caliber larger than .22 caliber are not authorized for hunting purposes.

92 D. The use of muzzleloading pistols and .22 caliber rimfire handguns is permitted for hunting small 93 game where .22 caliber rifles are permitted.

E. The use of muzzleloading pistols of .45 caliber or larger is permitted for hunting big game where and in those seasons when the use of muzzleloading rifles is permitted. The Board may adopt 94 95 regulations that specify the types of muzzleloading pistols and the projectiles and propellants that shall 96 97 be permitted.

98 F. The hunting of wild birds and wild animals with fully automatic firearms, defined as a machine 99 gun in § 18.2-288, is prohibited.

100 G. The hunting of wild birds or wild animals with (i) weapons other than those authorized by this 101 section or (ii) weapons that have been prohibited by this section is punishable as a Class 3 102 misdemeanor.

103 § 29.1-521. (Effective until July 1, 2017) Unlawful to hunt, trap, possess, sell, or transport wild birds and wild animals except as permitted; exception; penalty. 104 105

A. The following shall be unlawful:

1. To hunt or kill any wild bird or wild animal, including any nuisance species, with a gun, firearm, 106 107 or other weapon, or to hunt or kill any deer or bear with a gun, firearm, or other weapon with the aid 108 or assistance of dogs, on Sunday. The provision of this subdivision that prohibits the hunting or killing 109 of any wild bird or wild animal, including nuisance species, on Sunday shall not apply to (i) any person who hunts or kills raccoons, which may be hunted until 2:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings; (ii) any person 110 who hunts or kills birds in the family Rallidae or waterfowl, subject to geographical limitations 111 established by the Director and except within 200 yards of a place of worship or any accessory structure 112 113 thereof; or (iii) any landowner or member of his family or any person with written permission from the landowner who hunts or kills any wild bird or wild animal, including any nuisance species, on the 114 landowner's property, except within 200 yards of a place of worship or any accessory structure thereof. 115 However, a person lawfully carrying a gun, firearm, or other weapon on Sunday in an area that could be 116 used for hunting shall not be presumed to be hunting on Sunday, absent evidence to the contrary. 2. To destroy or molest the nest, eggs, dens, or young of any wild bird or wild animal, except 117

118 119 nuisance species, at any time without a permit as required by law.

3. To hunt or attempt to kill or trap any species of wild bird or wild animal after having obtained the 120

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121 daily bag or season limit during such day or season. However, any properly licensed person, or a person 122 exempt from having to obtain a license, who has obtained such daily bag or season limit while hunting 123 may assist others who are hunting game by calling game, retrieving game, handling dogs, or conducting 124 drives if the weapon in his possession is an unloaded firearm, a bow without a nocked arrow, an 125 unloaded slingbow, or an unloaded crossbow. Any properly licensed person, or person exempt from 126 having to obtain a license, who has obtained such season limit prior to commencement of the hunt may 127 assist others who are hunting game by calling game, retrieving game, handling dogs, or conducting 128 drives, provided he does not have a firearm, bow, *slingbow*, or crossbow in his possession.

4. To knowingly occupy any baited blind or other baited place for the purpose of taking or attempting to take any wild bird or wild animal or to put out bait or salt for any wild bird or wild animal for the purpose of taking or killing it. There shall be a rebuttable presumption that a person charged with violating this subdivision knows that he is occupying a baited blind or other baited place for the purpose of taking or attempting to take any wild bird or wild animal. However, this shall not apply to baiting nuisance species of animals and birds, or to baiting traps for the purpose of taking its subfully trapped.

136 5. To kill or capture any wild bird or wild animal adjacent to any area while a field or forest fire is137 in progress.

6. To shoot or attempt to take any wild bird or wild animal from an automobile or other vehicle,except as provided in § 29.1-521.3.

140 7. To set a trap of any kind on the lands or waters of another without attaching to the trap: (i) the 141 name and address of the trapper; or (ii) an identification number issued by the Department.

142 8. To set a trap where it would be likely to injure persons, dogs, stock, or fowl.

9. To fail to visit all traps once each day and remove all animals caught, and immediately report to
the landowner as to stock, dogs, or fowl that are caught and the date. However, the Director or his
designee may authorize employees of federal, state, and local government agencies, and persons holding
a valid Commercial Nuisance Animal Permit issued by the Department, to visit body-gripping traps that
are completely submerged at least once every 72 hours, and the Board may adopt regulations permitting
trappers to visit traps less frequently under specified conditions. The Board shall adopt regulations

150 10. To hunt, trap, take, capture, kill, attempt to take, capture, or kill, possess, deliver for 151 transportation, transport, cause to be transported, by any means whatever, receive for transportation or 152 export, or import, at any time or in any manner, any wild bird or wild animal or the carcass or any part 153 thereof, except as specifically permitted by law and only by the manner or means and within the 154 numbers stated. However, the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prohibit (i) the use or 155 transportation of legally taken turkey carcasses, or portions thereof, for the purposes of making or 156 selling turkey callers or using turkey feathers or toes for making tools or utensils or selling such tools or utensils; (ii) the manufacture or sale of implements, including tools or utensils made from legally 157 158 harvested deer skeletal parts, including antlers; (iii) the possession of shed antlers; or (iv) the possession, 159 manufacture, or sale of other parts or implements authorized by regulations adopted by the Board.

160 11. To offer for sale, sell, offer to purchase, or purchase, at any time or in any manner, any wild 161 bird or wild animal or the carcass or any part thereof, except as specifically permitted by law, including 162 subsection D of § 29.1-553. However, any nonprofit organization exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that is (i) organized to provide wild game as food to the 163 164 hungry and (ii) authorized by the Department to possess, transport, and distribute donated or unclaimed 165 meat to the hungry may pay a processing fee in order to obtain such meat. Such fee shall not exceed the actual cost for processing the meat. In addition, any nonprofit organization exempt from taxation under 166 167 § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that is (a) organized to support wildlife habitat conservation and (b) approved by the Department shall be allowed to offer wildlife mounts that have undergone the 168 169 taxidermy process for sale in conjunction with fundraising activities. A violation of this subdivision shall 170 be punishable as provided in § 29.1-553.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, any American Indian who produces verification that he is an enrolled member of a tribe recognized by the Commonwealth, another state, or the U.S. government, may possess, offer for sale, or sell to another American Indian, or offer to purchase or purchase from another American Indian, parts of legally obtained fur-bearing animals, nonmigratory game birds, and game animals, except bear. Such legally obtained parts shall include antlers, hooves, feathers, claws, and bones.

177 "Verification" as used in this subsection shall include (i) display of a valid tribal identification card,
178 (ii) confirmation through a central tribal registry, (iii) a letter from a tribal chief or council, or (iv)
179 certification from a tribal office that the person is an enrolled member of the tribe.

180 C. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the Department may authorize the use of 181 snake exclusion devices by public utilities at their transmission or distribution facilities and the

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182 incidental taking of snakes resulting from the use of such devices.

183 D. A violation of subdivisions A 1 through 10 shall be punishable as a Class 3 misdemeanor.

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201 3. To hunt or attempt to kill or trap any species of wild bird or wild animal after having obtained the 202 daily bag or season limit during such day or season. However, any properly licensed person, or a person 203 exempt from having to obtain a license, who has obtained such daily bag or season limit while hunting may assist others who are hunting game by calling game, retrieving game, handling dogs, or conducting 204 drives if the weapon in his possession is an unloaded firearm, a bow without a nocked arrow, an 205 206 unloaded slingbow, or an unloaded crossbow. Any properly licensed person, or person exempt from 207 having to obtain a license, who has obtained such season limit prior to commencement of the hunt may 208 assist others who are hunting game by calling game, retrieving game, handling dogs, or conducting 209 drives, provided he does not have a firearm, bow, *slingbow*, or crossbow in his possession.

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259 confirmation through a central tribal registry, (iii) a letter from a tribal chief or council, or (iv)
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261 C. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the Department may authorize the use of
 262 snake exclusion devices by public utilities at their transmission or distribution facilities and the
 263 incidental taking of snakes resulting from the use of such devices.

D. A violation of subdivisions A 1 through 10 shall be punishable as a Class 3 misdemeanor.

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§ 29.1-521.2. Violation of § 18.2-286 while hunting; revocation of license and privileges.

A. Any firearm, crossbow, *slingbow*, or bow and arrow used by any person to hunt any game bird or
game animal in a manner which violates § 18.2-286 may, upon conviction of such person violating
§ 18.2-286, be forfeited to the Commonwealth by order of the court trying the case. The forfeiture shall
be enforced as provided in Chapter 22.1 (§ 19.2-386.1 et seq.) of Title 19.2. The officer or other person
seizing the property shall immediately give notice to the attorney for the Commonwealth.

B. The court may revoke the current hunting license and privileges of a person hunting any game bird or game animal in a manner that constitutes a violation of § 18.2-286. The court may prohibit that person from hunting for a period of one to five years. If found hunting during this prohibited period, the person shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor. Notification of such revocation or prohibition shall be forwarded to the Department pursuant to subsection C of § 18.2-56.1.

§ 29.1-524. Forfeiture of vehicles and weapons used for killing or attempt to kill.

Every vehicle, firearm, crossbow, *slingbow*, bow and arrow, or speargun used with the knowledge or
consent of the owner or lienholder thereof, in killing or attempting to kill deer between a half hour after
sunset and a half hour before sunrise in violation of § 29.1-523, and every vehicle used in the
transportation of the carcass, or any part thereof, of a deer so killed shall be forfeited to the
Commonwealth. Upon being condemned as forfeited in proceedings under Chapter 22.1 (§ 19.2-386.1 et
seq.) of Title 19.2, the proceeds of sale shall be disposed of according to law.

§ 29.1-525. Employment of lights under certain circumstances upon places used by deer.

284 A. Any person in any vehicle and then in possession of any firearm, crossbow, *slingbow*, bow and 285 arrow, or speargun who employs a light attached to the vehicle or a spotlight or flashlight to cast a light 286 beyond the water or surface of the roadway upon any place used by deer shall be guilty of a Class 2 287 misdemeanor. Every person in or on any such vehicle shall be deemed prima facie a principal in the 288 second degree and subject to the same punishment as a principal in the first degree. This subsection shall not apply to a landowner in possession of a weapon when he is on his own land and is making a 289 290 bona fide effort to protect his property from damage by deer and not for the purpose of killing deer 291 unless the landowner is in possession of a permit to do so pursuant to the provisions of § 29.1-529.

B. Any person in any motor vehicle who deliberately employs a light attached to such vehicle or a spotlight or flashlight to cast a light beyond the surface of the roadway upon any place used by deer, except upon his own land or upon land on which he has an easement or permission for such purpose, shall be guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor. Every person in or on any such vehicle shall be deemed prima facie a principal in the second degree and subject to the same punishment as a principal in the first degree.

298 C. The provisions of subsections A and B shall not apply to activities conducted by a locality299 pursuant to a permit or written authorization issued by the Department.

D. In addition to the penalties prescribed in subsection A, the court shall revoke the current hunting
 license and privileges of the person convicted of a violation of subsection A and prohibit the person
 from hunting for a period of one to five years. In addition to the penalties prescribed in subsection B,
 the court may revoke the current hunting license and privileges of the person convicted of a violation of
 subsection B and prohibit that person from hunting for one to five years. If a person convicted of a

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violation of subsection A or B is found hunting during the prohibited period, the person shall be guiltyof a Class 2 misdemeanor. Notification of such revocation or prohibition shall be forwarded to the

307 Department pursuant to subsections C and D of § 18.2-56.1.

308 § 29.1-528.1. Board to develop model ordinances for hunting with bow and arrow; counties or 309 cities may adopt.

A. The Board shall adopt regulations establishing model ordinances for hunting deer with bow and arrow, *slingbows*, and crossbows in those counties and cities where there is an overabundance of the deer population, which is creating conflicts between humans and deer, including safety hazards to motorists. The model ordinances shall include (i) the times at which such hunting shall commence and end each day and (ii) the number of deer that can be taken based on analysis performed by the Department.

B. No such ordinance shall be enforceable unless the governing body notifies the Director by registered mail prior to May 1 of the year in which the ordinance is to take effect. Any change jurisdictions may seek in the model ordinance shall be approved by the Board prior to its adoption.

C. In adopting an ordinance pursuant to the provisions of this section, the governing body of any
 locality may provide that any person who violates the provisions of the ordinance shall be guilty of a
 Class 3 misdemeanor.

§ 29.1-549. Hunting deer from watercraft.

A. Any person who kills or attempts to kill any deer while the person is in a boat or other type watercraft shall be guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor.

B. Every boat or other watercraft and their motors, and any firearm, *slingbow*, crossbow, bow and arrow, or speargun, used with the knowledge or consent of the owner or lienholder thereof₇ in killing or attempting to kill deer in violation of this section₇ shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth, and upon being condemned as forfeited in proceedings under Chapter 22.1 (§ 19.2-386.1 et seq.) of Title 19.2 the proceeds of sale shall be disposed of according to law.