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**HOUSE BILL NO. 479**

House Amendments in [ ] — February 2, 1996

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 29.1-306 of the Code of Virginia, relating to hunting with a crossbow.*Patron—JacksonReferred to Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:****1. That § 29.1-306 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 29.1-306. Special archery license; disabled hunters.

A. There shall be a license for hunting with a bow and arrow during the special archery seasons, which will be in addition to the license required to hunt small game. The fee for the special license shall be twelve dollars for a resident and twenty-five dollars for a nonresident.

The special archery license may be obtained from the clerk or agent of any county or city whose duty it is to sell licenses.

B. The Board shall promulgate regulations which allow persons, whose physical disabilities prevent them from hunting with conventional archery equipment, to hunt with crossbows [ on their own property or on the private property of another with the written permission of the landowner. Disabled hunters seeking such permission shall advise the landowner of their intent to hunt with a crossbow during special archery seasons ] .

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