

No. 1988-52

AN ACT

HB 1258

Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further prohibiting the use of certain devices to release two or more arrows; and further providing for cooperation after lawfully killing big game.

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

Section 1. Section 2308(a) of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

§ 2308. Unlawful devices and methods.

(a) General rule.—Except as otherwise provided in this title, it is unlawful for any person to hunt or take or aid, abet, assist or conspire to hunt or take any game or wildlife through the use of:

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(9.1) Any device which permits the release of two or more arrows simultaneously on a single full draw of a bow.

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Section 2. Section 2325 of Title 34 is amended to read:

§ 2325. Cooperation after lawfully killing big game.

(a) General rule.—Except as provided in section 2301(b) (relating to lawful cooperation or assistance) *and subsection (a.1)*, it is unlawful for any person who has lawfully killed any big game to hunt for or cooperate with any other person hunting for big game of the same species while carrying a loaded firearm of any kind, a bow and nocked arrow or any other device capable of killing any big game.

(a.1) Exception.—Nothing in this section shall prohibit any person from carrying a loaded handgun in the field provided that person is in compliance with 18 Pa.C.S. § 6109 (relating to licenses).

(b) Penalty.—A violation of this section is a summary offense of the fourth degree.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

APPROVED—The 13th day of April, A. D. 1988.

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