

Section 5. A release by the injured person of one joint tortfeasor does not relieve him from liability to make contribution to another tortfeasor, unless the release is given before the right of the other tortfeasor to secure a money judgment for contribution has accrued and provides for a reduction to the extent of the pro rata share of the released tortfeasor of the injured person's damages recoverable against all the other tortfeasors.

Release by injured person of one joint tortfeasor not to relieve him from liability to make contribution to another tortfeasor.

Section 6. This act does not impair any right of indemnity under existing law.

Right of indemnity under existing law not impaired.

Section 7. This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law of those states that enact it.

Interpretation and construction of act.

Section 8. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Uniform Contribution Among Tortfeasors Act."

Short title.

Section 9. The act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1075), entitled "An act to provide for contribution among tortfeasors," is hereby repealed.

Act of June 24, 1939, P. L. 1075, repealed.

All other acts and parts of acts are hereby repealed in so far as inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Inconsistent acts repealed.

Section 10. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon its final enactment.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of July, A. D. 1951.

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No. 249

AN ACT

To further amend section 501 of the act, approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1225), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," by regulating the issuance of resident and nonresident hunters' licenses and tags for antlerless deer for the hunting of antlerless deer; and eliminating the provisions for special permits for antlerless deer and for abrogation of open season on antlerless deer.

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

**"The Game Law."**

Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 501 of the act, approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1225), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 810), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Subsection (c) of section 501, act of June 3, 1937, P. L. 1225, as last amended by act of June 24, 1939, P. L. 810, further amended.

Section 501. Open Seasons.—After investigation, or information otherwise obtained by the commission, as to the annual game supply, the commission may, by appropriate rules and regulations, a summary of which shall be published as hereinafter specified, fix seasons, shooting hours, and daily, season and possession limits, or remove protection and declare an open season, or increase, reduce or close seasons, or increase or reduce bag limits, for all species of game birds and game animals throughout the Commonwealth, or in any part thereof, or limit the number of hunters in any designated area and prescribe the methods of hunting therein, when in its opinion, such action is necessary to assure the maintenance of an adequate supply of such species, or when an unbalanced sex ratio exists which in its opinion should be corrected, or when, in the opinion of the commission, such additional open season will not jeopardize the future supply of game.

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(e) [Special Permits] *Resident and Nonresident Hunters' Licenses and Tags for Antlerless Deer.*—If in any year the commission, by resolution, declares an open season for antlerless deer, it [may, in its discretion] shall issue [special permits] *resident and nonresident hunters' licenses and tags for antlerless deer to hunt for or kill such deer, at a fee of one dollar and ten cents under such rules and regulations governing the issuance of such [permits] licenses and tags as it may deem necessary to limit the number of persons who may hunt for such deer in any [portion] county of the Commonwealth, provided public notice of such action is given as hereinafter required: and Provided, however, That no applications for antlerless deer licenses received from nonresidents shall be approved or licenses issued, except during a period of thirty (30) days immediately preceding the opening date of such antlerless deer season. Such licenses and tags may be issued only to holders of resident or nonresident hunting licenses.*

*Resident and nonresident hunters' licenses and tags for antlerless deer shall be issued only by the Department of Revenue, and by the county treasurers in counties where such deer may be hunted and killed, who, for that purpose, are hereby made agents of the Department of Revenue.*

*For services rendered in collecting and paying over fees and issuing licenses and tags, such agents may retain the sum of ten cents from the amount paid by each licensee, which amount shall be paid into the county treasury, except that such agents may retain therefrom any amounts necessary to reimburse them for any expenses, including compensation of employes, in-*

*curring in collecting such fees and issuing such licenses and tags.*

*Forty per cent of all antlerless deer licenses and tags shall be made available for issuance by the Department of Revenue. The remaining sixty per cent shall be made available for issuance by the county treasurers of the county in which such licenses are to be used.*

When such [permits] licenses are issued to restrict the number of persons who may hunt antlerless deer in any [designated portion or portions] county of the Commonwealth, any citizen of the United States residing within the Commonwealth who is a bona fide owner or lessee of lands which lie within the [area] county declared open to the hunting of said deer, or any member of the family or household, or regularly hired help of such owner or lessee, if such person is a citizen of the United States, actually residing upon and cultivating such lands, is hereby declared eligible to hunt *antlerless deer* without a [special] *resident hunters' license for antlerless deer* [permit for such antlerless deer] upon said property, and, by and with the consent of the owner thereof, upon the lands immediately adjacent and connected with his own lands, other than lands owned by or under the control of the Commonwealth.

The \*terms "antlerless deer" and "deer without visible antlers," as used in this subsection or any other provision of the Game Law which this act amends, are hereby defined to mean a deer without an antler sometimes called horn, the term "antler," as herein used or in any other provision of the Game Law which this act amends, meaning the bony growth on the head of a deer regardless of its size or development.

When the commission adopts and promulgates such rules and regulations relative to [special permits] *resident and nonresident hunters' licenses and tags for antlerless deer*, it is unlawful for any person other than a landowner or lessee of the county or a member of his household, as hereinbefore enumerated, to hunt for antlerless deer without [such] a [special] *resident or nonresident hunters' license and tag for antlerless deer* [permit], or to take such deer contrary to the rules and regulations adopted by the commission.

Section 2. Subsection (d) of section 501 of said act is hereby repealed.

Section 3. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

Subsection (d) of section 501, said act, repealed.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of July, A. D. 1951.

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\* "term" in original.