No. 22

AN ACT

HB 219

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), entitled "An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals; and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," further regulating unlawful manner of hunting big game and killing game destroying property.

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

Section 1. The first paragraph of subsection (b) of section 704, act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1225, No.316), known as "The Game Law," amended June 7, 1968 (P.L.148, No.83), is amended to read:

Section 704. Unlawful Methods of Hunting.—* * *

(b) Unlawful Manner of Hunting Big Game

Except as otherwise provided in this act it is unlawful to kill, or attempt to kill, any big game except through the use of a gun propelling one all-lead or lead alloy or soft-nosed or expanding bullet or ball, other than one fired from a [.22 or] .25 calibre or less rim-fire cartridge, at a single discharge, or through the use of a bow and arrow, or to take an elk in any manner except through the method known as still hunting.

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Section 2. Clause (2) of section 724 of the act, amended June 13, 1961 (P.L.301, No.178), is amended to read:

Section 724. Killing Game Destroying Property.—

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(2) Any elk, deer, or bear may be legally killed only through the use of a firearm which discharges a single ball or bullet other than one fired from a [twenty-two or] twenty-five or less calibre rimfire cartridge, under the foregoing provisions, provided a report is made as hereinafter required and other conditions stipulated are complied with; and

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Any person violating any of the several provisions of this section shall be liable for the fines hereinafter provided.

APPROVED-The 1st day of March, A. D. 1974.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 22.

C. DE Lover Tucker

Secretary of the Commonwealth.