

No. 2005-63

AN ACT

HB 1435

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the offense of computer-assisted remote harvesting of animals.

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

Section 1. Subchapter D of Chapter 76 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

SUBCHAPTER D
[(Reserved)]
UNLAWFUL USE OF COMPUTERS

Sec.

7641. Computer-assisted remote harvesting of animals.

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(a) Offense defined.—A person who engages in computer-assisted remote harvesting of an animal or provides or operates a facility for another person to engage in computer-assisted remote harvesting of an animal commits a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(b) Definitions.—As used in this section, “computer-assisted remote harvesting of an animal” means the use of a computer or software to control remotely the aiming and discharge of any implement that allows a person who is not physically present at the location of that implement to harvest an animal located in this Commonwealth. The term does not include such use at an establishment as defined under section 2 of the act of July 9, 1968 (P.L.304, No.151), known as the Pennsylvania Meat and Poultry Hygiene Law of 1968.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 1st day of November, A.D. 2005.

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