Kind of Game

Open Season

surveys, crop damage, kill of previous seasons, car kill, and size, weight, health, age and doe-fawn ratios of deer in the said counties in reaching such decision.

Deer, both sexes (bow and arrow)

In counties having a bow and arrow season, deer of either sex may be killed between September 1 and December 31, by means of a bow and arrow. hunted for a period to be fixed annually by the Commission.

In any county or election district of the State, the Commission may reduce the [deer] wildlife population OR OTHER IDENTIFIABLE AREAS [in areas suffering from crop damage] after a thorough investigation [shows] reveals that [such action is justified] protected wildlife is seriously injurious to agricultural or other interests in any particular community THE AFFECTED AREA. The method of reducing the [deer] wildlife population shall be at the discretion of the Commission except that when ver feasible trapping shall be preferred. The [deer] wildlife which may be taken under this provision shall be disposed of by the Director of the [Commission] Department as he may deem advisable and for the best interests of the State. [Notwithstanding any court order to the contrary, no person may shoot, kill or otherwise destroy deer during the night-time or during any period of darkness by the use of a searchlight or any kind of spotlight.]

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect on June 1, 1967.

Approved March 24, 1967.

CHAPTER 71

(House Bill 232)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 127 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Birds, Game, and Inland Fish," subheading "Hunter's License," to repeal the requirement that hunters must wear their licenses in a specified manner while hunting.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland. That Section 127 of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Birds, Game and Inland Fish," subheading "Hunter's License," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows: