

CHAPTER 413

(House Bill 288)

AN ACT concerning

Hunting - Special Deer Stamps - Muzzle Loader Deer Season
and Bow Hunting Deer Season

FOR the purpose of requiring a special deer stamp for deer hunters participating in the muzzle loader deer season and the bow hunting deer season; providing a reduced fee for certain persons required to obtain special deer stamps; determining the number of hunters and monitoring changes in number; mandating revenue to be used to establish an effective deer check system for the muzzle loader and bow hunting seasons, acquiring hunting access, and providing funds to make clean and keep hunting lands in order; raising the processing fee for muzzle loader deer stamps; and generally relating to special deer stamps.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section 10-308(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1982 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

10-308.

(c) A person may obtain a deer stamp for a fee of \$5.50. IN ADDITION TO A DEER STAMP, A PERSON HUNTING DEER DURING THE BOW HUNTING SEASON SHALL OBTAIN A SPECIAL BOW HUNTING DEER STAMP FOR A FEE OF ~~\$2.25~~ \$1.25. A PERSON HUNTING DEER WITH A MUZZLE LOADER DURING THE MUZZLE LOADER DEER SEASON SHALL OBTAIN A SPECIAL BLACK POWDER DEER STAMP FOR A FEE OF ~~\$2.25~~ \$1.25. A PERSON MAY OBTAIN THE STAMPS from the clerk of the circuit court of any county or from any person designated by the Department. A resident 65 years of age or over shall pay \$1 for a deer stamp. A RESIDENT 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OVER SHALL PAY 50 CENTS FOR A SPECIAL DEER STAMP. The issuing clerk or person designated shall retain the sum of ~~40~~ 25 cents as compensation for issuing each stamp. The balance of the fee is paid over and accounted for in the same manner as hunter's licenses. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE THE REVENUE ACCRUING FROM THE SALE OF SPECIAL STAMPS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO:

(1) ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT DEER CHECKING SYSTEM DURING THE MUZZLE LOADER AND BOW HUNTING DEER SEASON;