

non-hunting activities can occur in the State's natural areas without the fear of nearby hunting. Many naturalist societies routinely schedule nature field trips only on Sundays during hunting season to be certain they will avoid the interference and potential danger from hunting. I have received numerous letters from persons across Maryland opposing House Bill 9 because they would lose the certainty of having one weekend day during hunting season when their families and children can safely enjoy the outdoors.

For the above reasons, I have vetoed House Bill 9.

Sincerely,  
Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

### House Bill No. 9

AN ACT concerning

#### Deer Management Plans - Increased Harvest

FOR the purpose of ~~requiring the Department of Natural Resources to manage the harvest of deer in certain ways;~~ extending the length of a certain deer hunting season to a certain number of days, including a certain ~~number of Sundays~~ Sunday; ~~exempting a certain region from a certain Sunday hunting provisions provision;~~ requiring the Department to establish a certain nonresident license; ~~prohibiting fees for a certain license and certain stamps and bonus deer stamps in excess of certain amounts;~~ authorizing the Department's deer management plans in certain areas to include certain methods under certain circumstances; authorizing the donation of certain meat to certain organizations and the payment of certain costs in certain ways; requiring the Department to report and make recommendations to certain persons at a certain time regarding certain aspects of its deer management plans; defining certain terms; and generally relating to certain deer management plans for increased harvest.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article - Natural Resources  
Section 10-405(a) and 10-415  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

~~BY adding to~~  
~~Article - Natural Resources~~  
~~Section 10-415.1~~  
~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~  
~~(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)~~