

2015 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 212

BY SENATORS WARD AND THOMPSON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

HUNTERS/HUNTING. Repeals provision allowing the carrying of certain firearms while hunting with a bow. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:116.1(E), relative to the times and methods of taking of wild  
3 birds and wild quadrupeds; to allow the carrying of certain firearms while hunting  
4 with a bow; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:116.1(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §116.1. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; times and methods of taking; penalties

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9 E. Bowhunters may carry on their person, while hunting with a bow, a ~~pistol~~  
10 ~~no larger than a .22 caliber with snake shot or rat shot ammunition for the purposes~~  
11 ~~of killing snakes and rats~~ **any caliber firearm.**

12 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
13 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
14 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
15 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
16 effective on the day following such approval.

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The original instrument was prepared by McHenry Lee. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Nancy Vicknair.

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## DIGEST

SB 212 Reengrossed

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Ward

Present law provides that bowhunters may carry on their person, while hunting with a bow, a pistol no larger than a .22 caliber with snake shot or rat shot ammunition for the purposes of killing snakes and rats.

Proposed law authorizes bowhunters to carry any caliber firearm on their person while hunting with a bow.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 56:116.1(E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill.

1. Authorizes bowhunters to carry any caliber firearm on their person while hunting with a bow.