

Second Regular Session of the 119th General Assembly (2016)

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## HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1231

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AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural and cultural resources.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 14-22-2-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:** **Sec. 8. (a) This section applies to a hunting season beginning after June 30, 2016, and ending before January 1, 2020.**

**(b) A hunter may use a rifle during the firearms season to hunt deer subject to the following:**

- (1) The use of a rifle is permitted only on privately owned land.**
- (2) The rifle must have a barrel length of at least sixteen (16) inches.**
- (3) The rifle must be chambered for one (1) of the following cartridges:
  - (A) .243.**
  - (B) .30-30.**
  - (C) .300.**
  - (D) .30-06.**
  - (E) .308.****
- (4) A hunter may not possess more than ten (10) cartridges for the rifle while hunting deer under this section.**
- (5) The rifle must meet any other requirements established by**



the department.

(c) The use of a full metal jacketed bullet to hunt deer is unlawful.

(d) The department shall report on the impact of the use of rifles to hunt deer under this section to the governor and, in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6, the general assembly before February 15, 2020.

(e) This section expires June 30, 2020.

SECTION 2. IC 14-22-2-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) This section applies to a hunting season beginning after June 30, 2016.

(b) Notwithstanding any rule prescribing the minimum length of a handgun cartridge case, a hunter may use a handgun that fires a commercially available bullet of ten (10) millimeters in diameter to hunt deer.

(c) The use of a handgun described in subsection (b) to hunt deer is subject to the rules:

- (1) requiring that the handgun conform to the requirements of IC 35-47-1-6;
- (2) prescribing the minimum barrel length of the handgun; and
- (3) prohibiting the use of full metal jacketed bullets.

(d) The director shall amend any rule necessary to comply with this section.

SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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President of the Senate

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President Pro Tempore

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Governor of the State of Indiana

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