

# HOUSE BILL 1561

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By: **Delegates Glass and Vogt**

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources – Hunting – Outerwear Exception**

3 FOR the purpose of exempting a certain person hunting wildlife on the person's property  
4 from certain outerwear requirements; and generally relating to hunting in the State.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

6 Article – Natural Resources

7 Section 10–418(a)

8 Annotated Code of Maryland

9 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

11 Article – Natural Resources

12 Section 10–418(b)

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Natural Resources**

18 10–418.

19 (a) This section does not apply to any person who:

20 (1) **HUNTS ANY WILDLIFE ON THE PERSON'S PROPERTY WITH OR**  
21 **WITHOUT A HUNTING LICENSE;**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(2)** Hunts deer with a bow and arrow during the season restricted to  
2 hunting with a bow and arrow;

3           ~~[(2)]~~ **(3)** Hunts game birds or mammals during the open season using  
4 falcons, hawks, or owls; or

5           ~~[(3)]~~ **(4)** Hunts or accompanies, aids, or assists another person hunting  
6 the following species:

7                   (i) Wetland game birds;

8                   (ii) Fur-bearing mammals;

9                   (iii) Crows;

10                  (iv) Doves; or

11                  (v) Wild turkeys.

12           (b) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, a person who hunts any  
13 wildlife and a person who accompanies, aids, or assists another person in a field, wooded  
14 area, marsh, or on the water to hunt any wildlife shall wear:

15                   (1) A cap of a solid daylight fluorescent orange color;

16                   (2) A vest, jacket, or jacket containing back and front panels of at least 250  
17 square inches of a solid daylight fluorescent orange color; or

18                   (3) An outer garment of camouflage fluorescent orange worn above the  
19 waist which contains at least 50 percent daylight fluorescent orange color.

20           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
21 1, 2018.