

Pennsylvania: Firearms Preemption Enhancement Bill Scheduled to be Considered on the state House floor

House Bill 1523 will be before the full House for its second consideration. As predicted, at least thirteen anti-gun amendments have been filed to the bill for second consideration. These amendments range from “ballistic imaging” mandate to gutting the current “state preemption” statute. It is imperative that you call AND e-mail your state Representative NOW and urge him or her to support HB 1523 and OPPOSE any and all House floor amendments. This much-needed pro-gun bill would make critical changes to enhance Pennsylvania’s firearm preemption law. **READ MORE**

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An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for penalties.(Representatives HALUSKA, CALTAGIRONE, D. COSTA and others)--November 3, 2011 By Rep. TURZAI

**HB 2130 Aument (R)** Amends Title 34 (Game) further providing for regulated hunting grounds permits by removing the stipulation that at least 100 of each species listed on the permit shall be released and the stipulation that a right foot of a game bird may not be removed until a regulated hunting tag is attached to the bird. The bill also adds an exception for chukar partridges and specifies that the tag shall be attached to one leg of the each bird killed. All game birds killed shall be included in the reported kill. Except during the open season for shooting, no game birds or chukar partridges shall be killed while training dogs or conducting field trials on commercial regulated hunting grounds.

**HB 1398 Staback** Amends Title 34 (Game), in special licenses and permits, to alter the definition of “exotic animal” to include all nonindigenous animals, with enumerated exclusions. Amends the definition of “exotic wildlife dealer” by stipulating a dealer is one who makes at least five documented transactions involving exotic wildlife. Additionally, the bill provides for issuance of permits by the commission. (

**Jan 24, 2012 - H-Final Passage by a vote of 193 YEAS 0 NAYS**

HB 1668 Krieger - (PN 2110) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), in firearms and other dangerous articles, to disallow carrying a firearm without a license to and from a shooting range, to or from an appraisal or repair shop, if one is lawfully licensed to transport a firearm under interstate transportation, under the

license of another state unless the Commonwealth and that state have reciprocal agreements (closes the “Florida Loophole”). Generally allows transportation of the firearm if the firearm is unloaded and not being carried for a prohibited purpose. - The bill was **held over**.

**Release #008-12** [BOARD ELECTS MARTONE AS BOARD PRESIDENT FOR 2012; BOARD MAKES EXPANDED USE OF CROSSBOWS PERMANENT BOARD ALLOWS USE OF BAIT ON ‘RED TAG’ FARMS IN SOUTHEAST; BOARD TAKES OTHER ACTIONS](#) HARRISBURG – The Board of Game Commissioners today elected new officers during its annual reorganization for 2012.

**Release #009-12** [BOARD APPROVES PURCHASES LAND IN THREE COUNTIES; BOARD APPROVES TWO LAND EXCHANGES; GAME COMMISSION REPORTS ON TAX SALE AND AUCTION PURCHASES; GREENE COUNTY STATE GAME LAND METHANE GAS SALE APPROVED](#) HARRISBURG – The Pennsylvania Board of Game Commissioners today approved three purchases of land in Berks, Franklin and Luzerne counties that will increase the State Game Lands network.

### **GAME COMMISSION REMINDS HUNTERS/TRAPPERS REPEAL OF LICENSE DISPLAY REQUIREMENT TOOK EFFECT ON FEB. 13**

HARRISBURG – Pennsylvania Game Commission Executive Director Carl G. Roe said, starting Feb. 13, hunters and trappers no longer have to display their licenses on an outer garment, but they still must have their licenses in their possession while afield, as well as a secondary form of identification, such as a driver’s license. [Read More....](#)

### **H.R. 2834 / S. 2066 The Recreational Fishing and Hunting Heritage and Opportunities Act**

H. R. 2834 / S. 2066 recognizes the rightful place of recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting on Federal lands, supports Executive Order 13443 that directs Federal land management agencies to facilitate the expansion and enhancement of hunting on Federal lands, and ensures sound scientific management of wildlife and their habitat. [READ MORE](#)

### **HUNTERS CAN PURCHASE SPECIAL SPRING GOBBLER TAG NOW - Second spring gobbler license sales to close at midnight on April 20**

HARRISBURG – Pennsylvania hunters who would like the opportunity to harvest a second spring gobbler can purchase a second spring gobbler tag until midnight on April 20, according to Game Commission Executive Director Carl G. Roe.