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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1900

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1900 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Wildlife Code is amended by changing
5 Section 2.25 as follows:

6 (520 ILCS 5/2.25) (from Ch. 61, par. 2.25)

7 Sec. 2.25. It shall be unlawful for any person to take deer
8 except (i) with a shotgun, handgun, or muzzleloading rifle or
9 (ii) as provided by administrative rule, with a bow and arrow,
10 or crossbow device for handicapped persons, as defined in
11 Section 2.33, and persons age 62 or older during the open
12 season of not more than 14 days which will be set annually by
13 the Director between the dates of November 1st and December
14 31st, both inclusive, or a special 3-day ~~2-day~~, youth-only
15 season between the dates of September 1 and October 31. For the
16 purposes of this Section, legal handguns include any centerfire

1 handguns of .30 caliber or larger with a minimum barrel length
2 of 4 inches. The only legal ammunition for a centerfire handgun
3 is a cartridge of .30 caliber or larger with a capability of at
4 least 500 foot pounds of energy at the muzzle. Full metal
5 jacket bullets may not be used to harvest deer.

6 The Department shall make administrative rules concerning
7 management restrictions applicable to the firearm and bow and
8 arrow season.

9 It shall be unlawful for any person to take deer except
10 with a bow and arrow, or crossbow device for handicapped
11 persons, as defined in Section 2.33, and persons age 62 or
12 older during the open season for bow and arrow set annually by
13 the Director between the dates of September 1st and January
14 31st, both inclusive.

15 It shall be unlawful for any person to take deer except
16 with (i) a muzzleloading rifle, or (ii) bow and arrow, or
17 crossbow device for handicapped persons, as defined in Section
18 2.33, and persons age 62 or older during the open season for
19 muzzleloading rifles set annually by the Director.

20 The Director shall cause an administrative rule setting
21 forth the prescribed rules and regulations, including bag and
22 possession limits and those counties of the State where open
23 seasons are established, to be published in accordance with
24 Sections 1.3 and 1.13 of this Act.

25 The Department may establish separate harvest periods for
26 the purpose of managing or eradicating disease that has been

1 found in the deer herd. This season shall be restricted to gun
2 or bow and arrow hunting only. The Department shall publicly
3 announce, via statewide news release, the season dates and
4 shooting hours, the counties and sites open to hunting, permit
5 requirements, application dates, hunting rules, legal weapons,
6 and reporting requirements.

7 The Department is authorized to establish a separate
8 harvest period at specific sites within the State for the
9 purpose of harvesting surplus deer that cannot be taken during
10 the regular season provided for the taking of deer. This season
11 shall be restricted to gun or bow and arrow hunting only and
12 shall be established during the period of September 1st to
13 February 15th, both inclusive. The Department shall publish
14 suitable prescribed rules and regulations established by
15 administrative rule pertaining to management restrictions
16 applicable to this special harvest program. The Department
17 shall allow unused gun deer permits that are left over from a
18 regular season for the taking of deer to be rolled over and
19 used during any separate harvest period held within 6 months of
20 the season for which those tags were issued at no additional
21 cost to the permit holder subject to the management
22 restrictions applicable to the special harvest program.

23 (Source: P.A. 94-919, eff. 6-26-06; 95-13, eff. 1-1-08; 95-329,
24 eff. 8-21-07; 95-876, eff. 8-21-08.)

25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

1 becoming law.".