

House Bill 266

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 27-3-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to legal  
2 weapons for hunting wildlife generally, so as to provide that, during primitive weapons hunts  
3 or primitive weapons seasons, persons age 70 or older may hunt deer using firearms  
4 otherwise authorized for hunting deer; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 27-3-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to legal weapons  
8 for hunting wildlife generally, is amended by striking in its entirety paragraph (2) and  
9 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

10 "(2) During primitive weapon hunts or primitive weapons seasons, longbows, compound  
11 bows, muzzleloading rifles of .44 caliber or larger with iron sights only and without  
12 telescopic sights, and muzzleloading shotguns of 20 gauge or larger loaded with single  
13 shot may be used; provided, however, that during primitive weapons season for deer, any  
14 person age 70 or older who is otherwise authorized to hunt deer may hunt deer using a  
15 weapon specified in paragraph (3) of this Code section;"

16 **SECTION 2.**

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.