

House Bill 1285

By: Representatives Roberts of the 154th, Shaw of the 176th, Williams of the 165th, Maddox of the 172nd, Houston of the 170th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to wildlife, so as to change certain
3 provisions relating to the unlawful enticement of game; to provide legislative findings and
4 declarations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 The General Assembly finds and declares that this Act is enacted pursuant to Article III,
8 Section VI, Paragraph II(a)(1) of the Constitution.

9 **SECTION 2.**

10 Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
11 relating to general provisions relative to wildlife, is amended by striking subsection (a) of
12 Code Section 27-3-9, relating to the unlawful enticement of game, and inserting in lieu there
13 thereof the following:

14 "(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, expose, deposit, distribute, or scatter any
15 corn, wheat, or other grains, salts, apples, or other feeds or bait so as to constitute a lure or
16 attraction or enticement for any game bird or game animal on or over any area where
17 hunters are or will be hunting; provided, however, that is:

18 (1) The prohibition of this subsection shall not apply and it shall be lawful to hunt deer
19 within the vicinity of such feeds if the hunter is at least 200 yards away from and not
20 within sight of the feed or bait in those counties for which a deer season is established
21 north of those counties specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

22 (2) The prohibition of this subsection shall not apply and it shall be lawful to hunt deer
23 within any vicinity of such feeds in a feeder for deer on private lands in those counties
24 for which a deer season is established south of and including Heard, Troup, Meriwether,
25 Pike, Lamar, Monroe, Jones, Baldwin, Washington, Glascock, Jefferson, and Burke

1 counties, provided that any such feeder must be refilled completely with feed not less
2 than once every two weeks throughout each calendar year in which such feeder is used."

3 **SECTION 3.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.