

The House Committee on Game, Fish and Parks offers the following substitute to
HB 338:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to game and fish, so
2 as to specify a date certain for rules and regulations of the Board of Natural Resources used
3 to establish game and fish criminal violations; to change certain provisions relating to legal
4 weapons for hunting wildlife generally; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to game and fish, is amended by
8 striking Code Section 27-1-39, relating to rules and regulations of the Board of Natural
9 Resources used to establish game and fish criminal violations, and inserting in lieu thereof
10 the following:

11 "27-1-39.

12 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for purposes of establishing criminal
13 violations of the rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Natural Resources as
14 provided in this title, the terms 'rules and regulations' shall mean those rules and regulations
15 of the Board of Natural Resources in force and effect on ~~October 1, 2003~~ January 1, 2006."

16 **SECTION 2.**

17 Said title is further amended in Code Section 27-3-4 of the Official Code of Georgia
18 Annotated, relating to legal weapons for hunting wildlife generally, by striking paragraph (2)
19 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

20 "(2) During primitive weapon hunts or primitive weapons seasons, longbows, recurve
21 bows, crossbows, compound bows, muzzleloading firearms of .44 caliber or larger ~~with~~
22 ~~iron sights only and without telescopic sights,~~ and muzzleloading shotguns of 20 gauge
23 or larger loaded with single shot may be used;"

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SECTION 3.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.