Senate Bill 111

By: Senator Bulloch of the 11th

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to hunting wildlife, so as to provide for restrictions on hunting certain animals with lights; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to hunting wildlife, is amended by revising Code Section 27-3-2, relating to hunting at night, as follows:

"27-3-2.

It shall be unlawful to hunt at night any game bird or game animal in this state except for alligators, raccoons, opossums, foxes, and bobcats. ~~Alligators may be hunted with a light which does not exceed 12 volts. Raccoons, opossums, foxes, and bobcats shall not be hunted with lights, except that a light which does not exceed six volts or a fuel-type lantern may be carried by hand by a hunter or worn on the hunter's belt and used for locating such animals.~~ Any light used to hunt raccoons, opossums, foxes, or bobcats shall be carried on the person of a hunter, affixed to a helmet or hat worn by a hunter, or be part of a belt system worn by a hunter."

SECTION 2.

Said part is further amended by revising paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section 27-3-24, relating to restrictions on hunting feral hogs, as follows:

"(5) At night with a light, except that a light which ~~does not exceed six volts or a fuel-type lantern may be carried on the person of a hunter and~~ is carried on the person of a hunter, affixed to a helmet or hat worn by a hunter, or part of a belt system worn by a hunter may be used for locating feral hogs; or"

SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.