THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 698 Session of 2015

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, MARCH 3, 2015

AN ACT

1 2 3 4	Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for unlawful devices and methods; and, in special licenses and permits, further providing for disabled person permits.
5	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6	hereby enacts as follows:
7	Section 1. Section 2308(a)(7) of Title 34 of the
8	Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
9	§ 2308. Unlawful devices and methods.
10	(a) General ruleExcept as otherwise provided in this
11	title, it is unlawful for any person to hunt or aid, abet,
12	assist or conspire to hunt any game or wildlife through the use
13	of:
14	* * *
15	(7) A vehicle or conveyance of any kind or its
16	attachment propelled by other than manpower. Nothing in this
17	subsection shall pertain to any <u>of the following:</u>
18	<u>(i) A</u> motorboat or sailboat if the motor has been

1	completely shut off or sail furled, and the progress
2	thereof has ceased.
3	(ii) A motorized wheelchair if the person has been
4	issued a permit to hunt under section 2923(a.1) (relating
5	to disabled person permits).
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7	Section 2. Section 2923 of Title 34 is amended by adding a
8	subsection to read:
9	§ 2923. Disabled person permits.
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11	(a.1) Use of motorized wheelchair
12	(1) Unless further restricted by commission regulation,
13	a lifetime permit to hunt from a motorized wheelchair outside
14	of a vehicle may be issued to a person with permanent
15	disabilities who qualified for a hunting license under
16	<u>Chapter 27 or who possesses a junior resident license under</u>
17	section 2705(2) and who has a permanent or irreversible
18	physical disability and is unable to ambulate and requires a
19	wheelchair.
20	(2) Permittees shall carry the permit upon their person
21	while hunting. Any person named on this permit may hunt while
22	using a motorized wheelchair and may use the motorized
23	wheelchair to flush or locate game. The firearm may be loaded
24	while the motorized wheelchair is in motion.
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26	Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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