

SENATE BILL NO. 419

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:116(C), relative to pre-charged pneumatic devices; to provide
3 for taking of deer; to provide for special deer seasons; to provide for commission
4 authority; to provide for primitive firearms; to provide for minimum projectile size,
5 weight, and energy; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 56:116(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §116. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; special hunting seasons

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10 C.(1) The commission may establish a special deer season for primitive
11 firearms. The taking of deer in such season shall be limited to persons who are
12 licensed in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 56:3002. The commission shall
13 adopt and promulgate rules and regulations governing such season, including the
14 type and size of weapons used, licenses required, sex of deer to be hunted, and the
15 areas included in the season.

16 (2) In addition to any other weapon restriction the commission may adopt,
17 such rules and regulations shall provide ~~that breech~~ **for the use of the following**
18 **during primitive firearm season:**

19 (a) Breech loading rifles with a caliber of .35 or larger ~~may be used during~~
20 ~~primitive firearms season.~~

21 (b) Pre-charged pneumatic devices that fire a projectile with a caliber of
22 .30 or larger, a weight of one hundred fifty grains or larger, and a minimum
23 muzzle velocity of eight hundred feet per second, or with any combination of
24 bullet weight and muzzle velocity that produces muzzle energy of at least two
25 hundred fifteen foot pounds of energy.

26 (3) The taking of deer during ~~this season~~ **primitive firearm season** shall be
27 limited to still hunting and may be allowed in all or some areas of the state where

1 deer hunting is now or shall in the future be allowed.

2 (~~2~~)(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, during
3 primitive firearms season any licensee may use a magnified scope on any weapon
4 authorized for use during the primitive firearms season.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____