

State of Arkansas

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

1768

By: Representative Matthews

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO REQUIRE RELOCATION OR ERADICATION OF WILDLIFE
CAUSING DAMAGE TO AGRICULTURAL CROPS; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. (a) Upon the request of any farmer with demonstrated damage to an agricultural crop from wildlife, the game warden shall assist the farmer by implementation of a control program to relocate or eradicate the wildlife which is causing injury to the crop of the farmer.

(b) The program developed by the game warden may authorize the farmer for limited use of night-time hunting of the specific wildlife causing damage to crop.

(c) Any program developed under the provisions of this act shall be exempt from all hunting laws of the state of Arkansas, except those federal and state laws which prohibit destruction of endangered or protected species.

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.