

SENATE No. 2249

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
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SENATE, Tuesday, January 16, 2018

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Senate Bill relative to the use of crossbows in hunting (Senate, No. 429),-- reports, recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2249).

For the committee,
Karen E. Spilka

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An Act relative to the use of crossbows in hunting.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 64 of chapter 131, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words “, or any crossbow, except as
3 provided in section 69, nor” and inserting in place thereof the following the word:- nor.

4 SECTION 2. Said chapter 131 is hereby further amended by striking out section 69, as so
5 appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

6 Section 69. A person shall not carry or use a bow and arrow or crossbow while hunting
7 unless the bow and arrow or crossbow meet the requirements of the rules and regulations which
8 shall be promulgated by the director. Such rules and regulations shall prescribe general design,
9 weight of pull and type of bows and arrows or crossbows and shall conform to standards
10 generally accepted for hunting purposes.