

**SENATE . . . . . No. 635**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul W. Mark***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to deer open hunting season.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampden, Franklin and Hampshire</i>	
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>3/27/2025</i>

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By Mr. Mark, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 635) of Paul W. Mark for legislation to extend the deer open hunting season. Environment and Natural Resources.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to deer open hunting season.

*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 5 of Chapter 131 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition is  
2 hereby amended by adding at the end the following language:-

3           The time period for deer open hunting season by means of a primitive firearm as defined  
4 under this chapter or under 321 CMR 3.00(4)(b)4 shall extend from beginning the third Monday  
5 after Thanksgiving and ending on January 1 of the following year, all days inclusive.