

Senator Meyer, Representative Roy and Distinguished Members of the Environmental Committee:

I urge you to SUPPORT S.B. No. 83. The ban on hunting on Sunday is an antiquated blue law that needs to be eliminated. Currently, Connecticut is one of only six states in the country that strictly bans hunting on Sunday.

The argument that Sunday hunting interferes with other people's enjoyment of the outdoors is ridiculous. This bill only affects PRIVATE property. Those who are worried for their safety in the woods on Sunday should avoid trespassing on private property during the legal hunting season. Connecticut currently has an over population of deer which leads to disease, a large number of collisions, and property damage. Increasing hunting opportunities for the hunters of Connecticut is one of the few remedies to this condition.

Limiting Sunday hunting to private property (with the landowner's consent), renders the non-hunter safety issue a moot point

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