AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONTROL OF NUISANCE WILDLIFE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 26-47 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2019):

(a) When it is shown to the satisfaction of the commissioner that wildlife is causing unreasonable damage to agricultural crops, during the night and it is found by the commissioner that control of such damage by wildlife is impracticable during the daylight hours livestock, poultry or bees, the commissioner may issue permits for the taking of such wildlife as the commissioner deems necessary to control such damage by such method and at such time of day as the commissioner determines, including the use of lights, during the period between sunset and sunrise, upon written application of the owner or lessee of record of the land on which such crops are grown or such livestock, poultry or bees are cared for, raised or fed. Such permits may be issued to any qualified person designated by such landowner or lessee. The person to whom such permit is issued shall be held responsible for complying with the conditions under which such permit is issued which shall include, but not be limited to, the taking of such wildlife on the land where such crops are grown or such livestock, poultry or bees are cared for, raised or fed. The person to whom such permit is issued may retain any wildlife taken pursuant to such a permit. The provisions of this section shall not apply to deer.
This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | October 1, 2019 | 26-47(a) |