

ACT 254

H.B. NO. 233

A Bill for an Act Relating to Hunting.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 134-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“§134-5 Possession by licensed hunters and minors; target shooting[.]; game hunting. (a) Any person of the age of sixteen years, or over or any person under the age of sixteen years while accompanied by an adult, may carry and use any lawfully acquired rifle or shotgun and suitable ammunition while actually engaged in hunting or target shooting or while going to and from the place of hunting or target shooting; provided that the person has procured a hunting license under chapter 183D, part II. A hunting license shall not be required for persons engaged in target shooting.

(b) A permit shall not be required when any lawfully acquired firearm is lent to a person, including a minor, upon a target range or similar facility for purposes of target shooting; provided that the period of the loan does not exceed the time in which the person actually engages in target shooting upon the premises.

(c) A person may carry unconcealed and use a lawfully acquired pistol or revolver while actually engaged in hunting game mammals, if that pistol or revolver and its suitable ammunition are acceptable for hunting by rules adopted pursuant to section 183D-3 and if that person is licensed pursuant to part II of chapter 183D. The pistol or revolver may be transported in an enclosed container, as defined in section 134-6(c), in the course of going to and from the place of the hunt, notwithstanding section 134-6(d).”

SECTION 2. Section 134-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

“(c) No person shall carry concealed or unconcealed on the person a pistol or revolver without being licensed to do so under this section or in compliance with sections¹ 134-5(c) or 134-6.”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

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SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval; provided that this Act is repealed on June 30, 2000, and sections 134-5 and 134-9,² Hawaii Revised Statutes, are reenacted in the form in which they read on the day before the approval of this Act.

(Approved June 21, 1997.)

Notes

1. Prior to amendment "section" appeared here.
2. "134-9" substituted for "135-9".