

By: Senator(s) Posey

To: Wildlife, Fisheries and
Parks

SENATE BILL NO. 2767

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-51, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE THE PROHIBITION ON THE SALE OF GAME ANIMALS, BIRDS, AND
3 FISH; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 49-7-51, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 49-7-51. (1) It is unlawful for any person to buy or sell
8 or to offer for sale, exchange for merchandise, or other
9 consideration, within this state, any game birds, game animals, or
10 game fish, or parts thereof, named in this chapter, whether taken
11 within or coming from without the state, except as specifically
12 permitted by law or regulation. However, the skins and sinew of
13 deer and products crafted, fashioned or made from deer antlers not
14 in velvet may be bought and sold at any time in accordance with
15 rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission on Wildlife,
16 Fisheries and Parks. Mounted game animals, birds and fish may not
17 be sold or purchased. A violation of this subsection is a Class I
18 violation and is punishable as provided in Section 49-7-141.

19 (2) Any person who buys, sells, offers for sale, exchange
20 for merchandise, or other consideration, any wild bird, wild
21 animal or fish that has been taken illegally is guilty of a Class
22 I violation and punished as provided in Section 49-7-141.

23 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
24 and after July 1, 2006.