

**Adopted  
AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

**Cmte Sub for Senate Bill No. 2783**

**BY: Senator(s) Posey**

1       **AMEND by striking Section 2 in its entirety and inserting in**  
2 **lieu thereof the following:**

3       **SECTION 2.** Section 49-7-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
4 amended as follows:

5       49-7-41. (1) The commission may set the bag limits for game  
6 animals, birds and fish, unless the bag limits are established by  
7 the Legislature by statute.

8       (2) (a) The bag limit on antlered deer is one (1) per day,  
9 not to exceed three (3) per license year. An antlered deer must  
10 have antlers as prescribed by the commission. The commission  
11 shall have plenary authority to establish deer management zones,  
12 and adopt bag limit, antler restriction and enforcement  
13 regulations to manage deer populations within the deer management  
14 zones.

15       (b) Any antlered deer may be taken by permit when it is  
16 necessary to manage deer on lands under the deer management  
17 assistance program or wildlife management areas. A written  
18 management justification issued by the department \* \* \* must  
19 accompany any request for such a permit. Any antlered deer  
20 harvested under this permit must be identified with a tag  
21 immediately upon possession. Antlered deer taken by permit shall  
22 not be subject to the daily bag limit or the annual bag limit on  
23 antlered deer. The department shall include a report on permits

24 issued, to whom issued and deer harvested in the department's  
25 annual deer program report.

26 (3) (a) The bag limit on antlerless deer is one (1) per  
27 day, not to exceed five (5) per license year. \* \* \* Antlerless  
28 deer may be taken only in the areas prescribed by order of the  
29 commission. It is illegal to take a spotted fawn in any season.

30 (b) It is unlawful for a nonresident to kill an  
31 antlerless deer except: (i) a nonresident may take antlerless  
32 deer on lands that the title is vested in the nonresident or on  
33 lands that the nonresident has leased the hunting and fishing  
34 rights; or (ii) a nonresident who has a native son or daughter  
35 nonresident lifetime sportsman license or a resident lifetime  
36 sportsman license may take antlerless deer on private lands,  
37 wildlife management areas or national wildlife refuges.

38 (4) The bag limit on antlerless deer set by this section  
39 shall not apply to private lands under the deer management  
40 assistance program or the fee-based antlerless program as approved  
41 by the department.