

By: Senator(s) Posey

To: Wildlife and Fisheries

SENATE BILL NO. 2735

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT CANNED HUNTS IN WHICH GAME ANIMALS HAVE NO
2 OPPORTUNITY TO AVOID THE HUNTER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** For purposes of this section, the term "canned
5 hunts" means the practice of providing a hunting opportunity under
6 controlled conditions in which game animals hunted may not have a
7 reasonable opportunity to avoid the hunter. Canned hunts are
8 prohibited in the state. The commission shall adopt regulations
9 it deems necessary to prohibit and control such hunts. Nothing in
10 this section shall prohibit the operation of private shooting
11 preserves or commercial wildlife enclosures as authorized by
12 statute.

13 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
14 and after July 1, 2002.

