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SENATE BILL NO. 492

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on \_\_\_\_\_  
on \_\_\_\_\_)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Senator McDougle)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 29.1-528.3, relating to use of snare traps; prohibition.

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 29.1-528.3 as follows:**

**§ 29.1-528.3. Local regulation of snare traps.**

It shall be illegal to kill or trap or attempt to kill or trap any animal using a snare trap in any area of the Commonwealth east of Interstate 95 during general firearm deer hunting season. Such prohibition shall not apply to employees or agents of the Department or any other federal, state, or local wildlife management or conservation agency while engaged in wildlife management activities for such agencies.

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