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Department of Commerce, Labor and Environmental Resources,

AGENCY:

Division of Natural Resources

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TITLE NUMBER:

47

CITE AUTHORITY: West Virginia Code \$20-1-7(30)

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING RULE: YES., NO.X.

IF YES, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING AMENDED:

TITLE OF RULE BEING AMENDED:

IF NO, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING FILED AS AN EMERGENCY:

TITLE OF RULE BEING FILED AS AN EMERGENCY:

General Hunting Regulations

THE ABOVE RULE IS BEING FILED AS AN EMERGENCY RULE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON FILING.

THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES CONSTITUTING THE EMERGENCY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

See Attached

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Use Additional Sheets If Necessary.

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Director

FISCAL NOTE FOR PROPOSED RULES

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Rule Title: General Hunting Regulations.

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Type of Rule: XX Legislative

Interpretive

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Agency: Department of Commerce, Labor and Environmental

Resources Division of Natural Resources.

Address: Building 3, State Capitol Complex, Charleston, West

Virginia 25305

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- 2. Explanation of Above Estimates: The purpose of these regulations is to establish general hunting regulations that will provide for the safety of the hunter and the proper management of wild game within the boundaries of this State. No new administrative expenditures are anticipated.
- 3. Objectives of These Rules: See Above Statement.
- 4. Explanation of Overall Economic Impact of Proposed Rule.
 - A. Economic Impact on State Government: No impact.
 - B. 1. Economic Impact on Political Subdivisions: No impact.
 - 2. Economic Impact on Specific Industries: No impact.

- 3. Economic Impact on Specific Groups of Citizens: No impact.
- C. Economic Impact on Citizens/Public at Large: No impact.

Date: August 12, 1991

J. Edward Hamrick III

Director

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DATE: August 12, 1991

TO: LEGISLATIVE RULE-MAKING REVIEW COMMITTEE

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FROM: Department of Commerce, Labor and Environmental Resources.

Division of Natural Resources.

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EMERGENCY RULE TITLE: "General Hunting Regulations"

- 1. Emergency rule was filed on: August 20, 1991
- 2. Statutory authority for promulgating the emergency rule: West Virginia Code §20-1-7(30)
- 3. Proposed legislative rule was filed on: August 20, 1991
- 4. Does the emergency rule adopt new language or does it amend or repeal a current legislative rule? The emergency rule adopts language that was previously filed as an exempt regulation under W. Va. Code §29A-1-3(c).
- 5. Has the same or similar emergency rule previously been filed and expired? No
- 6. State, with particularity, those facts and circumstances which make the emergency rule necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health, safety, or welfare. See discussion under Item 8.
- 7. If the emergency rule was promulgated in order to comply with a time limit established by the Code or federal statute or regulation, cite the Code provision, federal statute, or federal regulation and time limit established therein. Not Applicable
- 8. State, with particularity, those facts and circumstances which make the emergency rule necessary to prevent substantial harm to the public interest.

The Division is seeking to divide the hunting and trapping regulations (47 C.S.R. 11) that had previously been filed on August 13, 1990 as a legislatively exempt regulation. The division seeks to only include those provisions falling under the authority of W. Va. Code §29A-1-3(c) in 47 C.S.R. 11. The remainder of the provisions not under the authority of W. Va. Code §29A-1-3(c) are broken into categories and are being filed as individual regulations that are required to be put through the legislative

process. The exempt regulations will become effective immediately upon filing, however, they will lack the provisions that must be legislatively approved. The Division finds it necessary to promulgate these rules as an emergency to provide regulations for the upcomming 91-92 hunting seasons for the safety and welfare of the public and controlled hunting of wildlife within the State of West Virginia.

EMERGENCY RULE

TITLE 47 LEGISLATIVE RULES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, LABOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

SERIES 11D GENERAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

§47-11D-1. General.

- 1.1. Scope and Purpose. -- The purpose of these regulations is to establish general hunting regulations that will provide for the safety of the hunter and the proper management of wildlife within the boundaries of this State.
 - 1.2. Authority. -- West Virginia Code §20-1-7(30).
 - 1.3. Filing Date. --
 - 1.4. Effective Date. --

§47-11D-2. Definitions.

2.1. All terms shall have the meanings prescribed to them in Title 47. Series 11A (47 C.S.R. 11A).

§47-11D-3. General Hunting Rules.

- 3.1. A long bow or compound bow may be substituted for a firearm during any season for which firearms are legal except during the muzzle-loading firearms deer season.
- 3.2. Each person killing a bear or wild boar found in a wild state must immediately after removing its entrails, but in any event within one hour and before transporting or removing the carcass in any manner from where it was killed, complete and attach a game tag. The tag must bear, in plain English, the name and address of the hunter, the date and county where the game was killed, and, unless he is legally exempted from the licensing requirements of this State, the license number of the hunter.
- 3.3. No person under the age of fifteen (15) years may hunt or chase wild animals or wild birds on the lands of another unless he is accompanied by a licensed adult who remains in a position near enough to him to render advice and assistance.
- 3.4. Only bows, single-shot muzzle-loading firearms, or shotguns loaded with T or smaller shot may be used to hunt wildlife within the boundaries of the Green Bottom Wildlife Management Area.

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August 21, 1991

NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE DECISION BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

AGENCY: Division of Natural Resources

RULE:

General Hunting Regulations

DATE FILED AS AN EMERGENCY RULE: August 20, 1991

DECISION NO. 79-91

Following review under WV Code 29A-3-15a, it is the decision of the Secretary of State that the above emergency rule be approved. A copy of the complete decision with required findings is available from this office.

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THIS DATE Hug 21, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW DIVISION KEN HECHLER

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DECISION

EMERGENCY RULE DECISION (ERD 79-91)

AGENCY: Division of Natural Resources

RULE: New Rule, Series 11D, General Hunting Regulations

FILED AS AN EMERGENCY RULE: August 20, 1991

- par. 1 The Division of Natural Resources (DNR) has filed the above new rule as an emergency rule.
- par. 2 West Virginia Code 29A-3-a requires the Secretary of State to review all emergency rules filed after March 8, 1986. This review requires the Secretary of State to determine if the agency filing such emergency rule: 1) has complied with the procedures for adopting an emergency rule; 2) exceeded the scope of its statutory authority in promulgating the emergency rule; or 3) can show that an emergency exists justifying the promulgation of an emergency rule.
- par. 3 Following review, the Secretary of State shall issue a decision as to whether or not such an emergency rule should be disapproved [(29A-3-a(a)].
- par. 4 (A) Procedural Compliance: WV Code 29A-3-15 permits an agency to adopt, amend or repeal, without hearing, any legislative rule by filing such rule, along with a statement of the circumstances constituting the emergency, with the Secretary of State and forthwith with the Legislative Rule-Making Review Committee (LRMRC).
- par. 5 If an agency has accomplished the above two required filings with the appropriate supporting documents by the time the emergency rule decision is issued or the expiration of the forty-two day review period, whichever is sooner, the Secretary of State shall rule in favor of procedural compliance.

- par. 6 The DNR filed this emergency rule with supporting documents with the Secretary of State August 20, 1991 and with the LRMRC August 20, 1991.
- par. 7 It is the determination of the Secretary of State that the DNR has complied with the procedural requirements of WV Code §29A-3-15 for adoption of an emergency rule.
- par. 8 (B) Statutory Authority -- WV Code §20-1-7(30) reads:
 - (30) Promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the provisions of §29A-1-1 et seq. of this code, to implement and make effective the powers and duties vested in him by the provisions of this chapter and take such other steps as may be necessary in his discretion for the proper and effective enforcement of the provisions of this chapter.
- par. 9 It is the determination of the Secretary of State that the DNR has not exceeded its statutory authority in promulgating this emergency rule.
- par. 10 (C) Emergency WV Code 29A-3-15(g) defines "emergency" as follows:
 - (g) For the purposes of this section, an emergency exists when the promulgation of a rule is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety or welfare or is necessary to comply with a time limitation established by this code or by a federal statute or regulation or to prevent substantial harm to the public interest.
- par. 11 There are essentially three classes of emergency broadly presented with the above provision: 1) immediate preservation; 2) time limitation; and 3) substantial harm. An agency need only document to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State that there exists a nexus between the proposal and the circumstances creating at least one of the above three emergency categories.
- par. 12 The facts and circumstances as presented by the DNR are as follows:

The Division is seeking to divide the hunting and trapping regulations (47 CSR 11) that had previously been filed on August 13, 1990 as a legislatively exempt regulation. The division seeks to only include those provisions falling under the authority of W. Va. Code §29A-1-3(c) in 47 CSR 11. The remainder of the provisions not under the authority in W. Va. Code §29A-1-39(c) are broken into categories and are being filed as individual regulations that are required to be put through the legislative process. The exempt regulations will become effective immediately upon filing, however, they will lack the provisions that must be legislatively approved. The Division finds it necessary to promulgate these rules as an emergency to provide regulations for the upcoming 91-92

hunting seasons for the safety and welfare of the public and controlled hunting of wildlife within the Sate of West Virginia.

- par. 13 It is the determination of the Secretary of State that this proposal qualifies under the definition of an emergency as defined in $\S29A-3-15(g)$. . "prevent substantial harm to public interest."
- par. 14 This decision shall be cited as Emergency Rule Decision 79-91 or ERD 79-91 and may be cited as precedent. This decision is available from the Secretary of State and has been filed with the Division of Natural Resources, the Attorney General and the Legislative Rule Making Review Commission.

KEN HECHLER Secretary of State

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