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House Bill 4631

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to the Committee on Agriculture and Natural

Resources then the Judiciary.]

INTRODUCED H.B.

- 1 A BILL to amend and reenact §20-2-60 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
- 2 to requiring a hunting blind which is used during firearm deer season to have at least one
- 3 hundred square inches of fluorescent orange on top of the blind.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That §20-2-60 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and 2 reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.

§20-2-60. Required attire for deer hunters; <u>hunting blind requirement</u>; exemption; penalty.

- 1 (a) Any person who hunts deer on public lands or the lands of another during the period
- 2 designated for firearms hunting of deer shall wear a daylight fluorescent orange outer garment
- 3 over at least four hundred square inches of his or her person. *Provided,* That
- 4 (b) A hunting blind which is used during the period designated for firearms hunting of deer
- 5 must have at least one hundred square inches of fluorescent orange on top so that it is visible

6 from 360 degrees on the outside of the blind.

- 7 (c) Persons engaged in agricultural occupations shall be are exempt from the provisions
- 8 of this section while hunting deer on their own property.
- 9 (d) Any A person violating any a provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, and
- 10 upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than \$5 nor more than \$50.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require hunting blinds used during firearm deer season to have at least one hundred square inches of fluorescent orange on top of the blind.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.