

## **4. M.G.L. c. 131, § 65A (bill codified)**

**Effective: October 31, 2007**

Massachusetts General Laws Annotated Currentness

Part I. Administration of the Government (Ch. 1-182)

Title XIX. Agriculture and Conservation (Ch. 128-132B)

Chapter 131. Inland Fisheries and Game and Other Natural Resources (Refs & Annos)

### **§ 65A. Online shooting or spearing**

- (a) For the purposes of this section, “online shooting or spearing” means the use of a computer or any other device, equipment, software or technology, to remotely control the aiming and discharge of any weapon including, but not limited to, any firearm, bow and arrow, spear, slingshot, harpoon or any other projectile device or any other weapon capable of killing or capable of inflicting injury capable of killing any bird, mammal, reptile or fish.
- (b) Whoever:
- (1) engages in online shooting or spearing of any bird, mammal, reptile or fish;
  - (2) owns or operates a shooting range, site, gallery or other facility in the commonwealth utilized for online shooting or spearing;
  - (3) creates, maintains or utilizes an Internet Web site, or a service or business via any other means, from any location within the commonwealth for the operation of online shooting or spearing;
  - (4) possesses or confines any bird, mammal, reptile or fish to promote or for use in online shooting or spearing;  
or
  - (5) imports into or exports out of the commonwealth any bird, mammal, reptile or fish, or the remains thereof, injured or killed by online shooting or spearing, shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 2 1/2 years or by a fine of not more than \$2,500, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- (c) The department shall revoke any license issued pursuant to section 12 to any person who violates this section. The department shall not issue nor renew a license under said section 12 to any person who violates this section for not less than 3 years nor more than 5 years from the date of such violation.
- (d) This section shall apply to any person, firm, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association or other business entity.
- (e) Any bird, mammal, reptile or fish, or the remains thereof, possessed in violation of this section shall be subject to seizure by the department.

CREDIT(S)

Added by St.2007, c. 83, eff. Oct. 31, 2007.

HISTORICAL AND STATUTORY NOTES

2008 Electronic Update

2007 Legislation

St.2007, c. 83, was approved Aug. 2, 2007, effective Oct. 31, 2007.

M.G.L.A. 131 § 65A, MA ST 131 § 65A

Current through Chapter 376, except for Chapter 374 of the 2008 Annual Sess.

(C) 2008 Thomson Reuters/West

END OF DOCUMENT