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AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
designated §20-2-5l, relating to permitting certain types of rifles using an encapsulated
propellant charge that loads from the breech, with the bullet loaded from the muzzle,
during any muzzleloader season; and providing an exception.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. WILDLIFE RESOURCES.

§20-2-51. Use of certain rifles to hunt in muzzleloader season.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this code or any rule promulgated thereunder to the contrary, any person lawfully entitled to hunt may hunt with a singleshot muzzleloading pistol or singleshot muzzleloading rifle, having a bore diameter of not less than thirty-eight one-hundredths of an inch, using an encapsulated propellant charge that loads from the breech, with the projectile loaded from the muzzle, during any established muzzleloader season: *Provided*, That such muzzleloading pistol or muzzleloading rifle may not be used for hunting during the Mountaineer Heritage season.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Clerk of the Senate hereby certify that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.	
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Speaker of the House of Delegates President of the Senat	e
The within is Applicated this the 4th	
Day of	2023.

PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

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