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## House Bill 1349 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 27-1-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 legislative declarations, ownership and custody of wildlife, preservation of hunting and
- 3 fishing opportunities, promotion and right to hunt, trap, or fish, local regulation, and general
- 4 offenses, so as to extend the date on which the Department of Natural Resources shall
- 5 attempt to prevent net loss of land acreage available for hunting opportunities on department
- 6 managed state owned lands; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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- 9 Code Section 27-1-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to legislative
- 10 declarations, ownership and custody of wildlife, preservation of hunting and fishing
- 11 opportunities, promotion and right to hunt, trap, or fish, local regulation, and general
- offenses, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (c) as follows:
- 13 "(c)(1) To the greatest practical extent, department land management decisions and
- actions shall not result in any net loss of land acreage available for hunting opportunities
- on department managed state owned lands that exists on July 1, <del>2005</del> 2022."

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## 16 **SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed. 17