

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. HARCKHAM -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Consumer Protection

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to establishing the "sporting range good neighbor act"

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "sporting
2 range good neighbor act".

3 § 2. The general business law is amended by adding two new sections
4 151 and 152 to read as follows:

5 § 151. Shooting ranges; skeet fields. 1. (a) Every skeet field tract
6 at a shooting range shall be a minimum of six hundred yards by three
7 hundred yards with the shooting semicircle located in the middle of the
8 long side.

9 (b) Any shooting range which is unable to comply with the requirements
10 of paragraph (a) of this subdivision shall construct and maintain appro-
11 priate backstops to prevent lead migration outside of the designated
12 skeet field tract. Such backstops shall be constructed of material that
13 effectively captures bullets and shall be covered by a roof to prevent
14 precipitation from eroding such backstops.

15 2. No portion of a skeet field tract shall include a wetland or open
16 water source.

17 3. As used in this section, "skeet field tract" shall mean a portion
18 of an outdoor shooting range used for clay, sporting clay, trap or skeet
19 shooting.

20 § 152. Outdoor shooting range environmental stewardship and lead ammu-
21 nition material reclamation. The department of environmental conserva-
22 tion shall promulgate rules and regulations regarding environmental
23 stewardship and lead ammunition material reclamation at outdoor shooting
24 ranges and require reporting by outdoor shooting ranges regarding such
25 ranges' environmental stewardship and lead ammunition material reclama-
26 tion. Such reporting shall include:

27 1. Environmental actions that have been completed on the outdoor
28 shooting range;

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 2. The present environmental setting, including upgrades, if applica-
2 ble, along with previous range maintenance activities;

3 3. Identification of issues of potential environmental concern associ-
4 ated with shooting and related lead constituents;

5 4. Identification, evaluation and prioritization of appropriate
6 actions to manage issues identified pursuant to subdivision three of
7 this section;

8 5. Identification of short- and long-term action items and steps need-
9 ed for implementation;

10 6. An implementation plan for such action items;

11 7. Identification of ways to measure and document results of lead
12 ammunition material management actions; and

13 8. Periodic evaluation of progress toward environmental stewardship
14 goals and appropriate revisions of plans.

15 § 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
16 it shall have become a law.