STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

February 25, 2025

Introduced by M. of A. FITZPATRICK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the town law, in relation to authorizing the town of Smithtown to make ordinances regarding longbows and crossbows

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

Section 1. Section 130 of the town law is amended by adding two new subdivisions 30 and 31 to read as follows:

30. Longbows. In the town of Smithtown, in the county of Suffolk prohibiting the discharge of longbows in areas in which such activity may be hazardous to the general public or nearby residents, and providing for the posting of such areas with signs giving notice of such regulations, which ordinances, rules and regulations may be more, but not less, restrictive than any other provision of law. Thirty days prior to the adoption of any ordinance changing the one hundred fifty foot rule established pursuant to section 11-0931 of the environmental conservation law, notice must be sent to the regional supervisor of fish and game of the department of environmental conservation, notifying such regional supervisor of such intention.

31. Crossbows. In the town of Smithtown, in the county of Suffolk prohibiting the discharge of crossbows in areas in which such activity may be hazardous to the general public or nearby residents, and providing for the posting of such areas with signs giving notice of such regulations, which ordinances, rules and regulations may be more, but not less, restrictive than any other provision of law. Thirty days prior to the adoption of any ordinance changing the two hundred fifty foot rule established pursuant to section 11-0931 of the environmental conservation law, notice must be sent to the regional supervisor of fish and game of the department of environmental conservation, notifying such regional supervisor of such intention.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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