

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the municipal regulation of the discharge of firearms
3 and certain other weapons in certain counties.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 229, Local Government Code, is amended
6 by adding Section 229.004 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 229.004. REGULATION OF DISCHARGE OF WEAPON BY CERTAIN
8 MUNICIPALITIES. (a) This section applies only to a municipality
9 located in a county in which the majority of the population of two
10 or more municipalities with a population of 300,000 or more are
11 located.

12 (b) Notwithstanding Section 229.002, a municipality may not
13 apply a regulation relating to the discharge of firearms or other
14 weapons in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality or
15 in an area annexed by the municipality on or before September 1,
16 1981, if the firearm or other weapon is:

17 (1) a shotgun, air rifle or pistol, BB gun, or bow and
18 arrow discharged:

19 (A) on a tract of land of 100 acres or more and
20 more than 150 feet from a residence or occupied building located on
21 another property; and

22 (B) in a manner not reasonably expected to cause
23 a projectile to cross the boundary of the tract; or

24 (2) a center fire or rim fire rifle or pistol of any

1 caliber discharged:

2 (A) on a tract of land of 100 acres or more and
3 more than 300 feet from a residence or occupied building located on
4 another property; and

5 (B) in a manner not reasonably expected to cause
6 a projectile to cross the boundary of the tract.

7 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
8 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
9 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
10 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
11 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

Vraida Sewhurst

President of the Senate

Joe Straus

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2127 was passed by the House on May 5, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Robert Haney
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2127 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Antony Gau
Secretary of the Senate

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Date

RICK PERRY

Governor

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Hope R. Roberts
Secretary of State