

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the discharge of firearms on
 3 residential property; amending s. 790.15, F.S.;
 4 prohibiting the recreational discharge of a firearm in
 5 certain residential areas; providing criminal
 6 penalties; providing exceptions; providing an
 7 effective date.

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 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 11 Section 1. Subsection (4) is added to section 790.15,
 12 Florida Statutes, to read:

13 790.15 Discharging firearm in public or on residential
 14 property.—

15 (4) A person who recreationally discharges a firearm
 16 outdoors, including target shooting, in an area that the person
 17 knows or reasonably should know is primarily residential in
 18 nature and that has a residential density of one or more
 19 dwelling units per acre commits a misdemeanor of the first
 20 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. This
 21 subsection does not apply:

22 (a) To a person lawfully defending life or property or
 23 performing official duties requiring the discharge of a firearm;

24 (b) If, under the circumstances, the discharge does not
 25 pose a reasonably foreseeable risk to life, safety, or property;
 26 or

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27 | (c) To a person who accidentally discharges a firearm.
28 | Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.