

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 for target shooting or celebratory shooting,
 17 in an area that the person knows or reasonably should know is
 18 primarily residential in nature and that has a residential
 19 density of one or more dwelling units per acre commits a
 20 misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s.
 21 775.082 or s. 775.083. This 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.