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# SENATE BILL No. 29

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 14-22-31.5-5; IC 36-1-3-8.5.

**Synopsis:** Shooting ranges and discharging a firearm. Prohibits a local unit of government from imposing a minimum lot size on which a shooting range may be located. Prohibits a local unit of government from regulating the lawful discharge of a firearm, except for: (1) the discharge of a firearm on land, in a building, or on other real property owned or administered by a unit, including a highway or a public highway; or (2) using the unit's planning and zoning powers to regulate the discharge of a firearm within 200 feet of a school.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 8, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government and Elections.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 14-22-31.5-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) Except as  
3 specifically prohibited by this chapter, a local unit of government may  
4 regulate the location, use, operation, safety, and construction of a  
5 shooting range.

6 (b) **A local unit of government may not impose a minimum lot  
7 size on which a shooting range may be located.**

8 SECTION 2. IC 36-1-3-8.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
9 AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
10 UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8.5. (a) **This section does not apply to the  
11 local regulation of a shooting range under IC 14-22-31.5.**

12 (b) **Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a unit  
13 may not regulate in any manner the lawful discharge of a firearm  
14 (as defined in IC 35-47-1-5), except as follows:**

- 15 (1) **A unit may regulate the discharge of a firearm:**  
16 (A) **on land;**  
17 (B) **in a building; or**



1                   **(C) on other real property;**  
2                   **owned or administered by a unit, including a highway, street,**  
3                   **or road (as defined in IC 8-23-1-23) or a public highway (as**  
4                   **defined in IC 8-2.1-17-14).**  
5                   **(2) A unit may use the unit's planning and zoning powers**  
6                   **under IC 36-7-4 to restrict or prohibit the discharge of a**  
7                   **firearm within two hundred (200) feet of a school.**  
8                   **SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.**

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