

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2563 Session of
2006

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TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WILT, WOJNAROSKI AND PALLONE, APRIL 3, 2006

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, APRIL 3, 2006

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, providing for possession of firearm for protection
3 of self or others.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Title 34 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 Section 2525. Possession of firearm for protection of self or
9 others.

10 (a) General rule.--It is lawful for a law enforcement officer
11 or any person who possesses a valid license to carry a firearm
12 issued under 18 Pa C.S. Section 6109 (relating to licenses) to
13 be in possession of a loaded or unloaded firearm while engaged
14 in any activity regulated by this title.

15 (b) Construction.--

16 (1) This section shall supersede any prohibition on the

1 possession of firearms or ammunition contained in any other
2 provision of this title.

3 (2) This subsection shall not be construed to permit
4 the hunting or harvesting of any wildlife with a firearm or
5 ammunition not otherwise permitted by this title.

6 (c) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
7 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
8 subsection:

9 "Firearm." As defined in 18 Pa C.S. § 6102 (relating to
10 definitions).

11 "Law enforcement officer." As defined in 18 Pa C.S. § 6102
12 (relating to definitions).

13 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.