

House Bill 182

By: Representatives Austin of the 10th, Scott of the 2nd, Jerguson of the 22nd, Williams of the 178th, Horne of the 71st, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 16-11-173 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 preemption of local regulation and lawsuits, so as to provide that no county or municipality
3 shall impose any limitation or prohibition on the discharge of firearms that is applicable to
4 tracts of property of five or more acres located within such municipality or county; to provide
5 for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
6 purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 16-11-173 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to preemption
10 of local regulation and lawsuits, is amended by revising subsection (e) as follows:

11 "(e) Nothing contained in this Code section shall prohibit municipalities or counties, by
12 ordinance, resolution, or other enactment, from reasonably limiting or prohibiting the
13 discharge of firearms within the boundaries of the municipal corporation or county;
14 provided, however, that no ordinance, resolution, or other enactment by a municipality or
15 county shall apply to the discharge of firearms on tracts of property consisting of five or
16 more acres located in such municipality or county."

17 **SECTION 2.**

18 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
19 without such approval.

20 **SECTION 3.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.