Chapter 267. Discharge of Firearms Near Schools

267.001 Definitions

(a) "Firearm" means any device designed, made, or adapted to expel a projectile through a barrel by using the energy generated by an explosion or burning substance or any device readily convertible to that use.

(b) "Regulated lot" means a lot that is:

(1) within 200 yards of a school;
(2) ten acres or smaller as reflected by the records of the Travis Central Appraisal District; and
(3) in a subdivision for which Chapter 232, Local Government Code, requires a plat to be prepared and filed.

(c) "School" means a private or public elementary or secondary school.

267.002 Prohibition

The discharge of a firearm is prohibited on a regulated lot in an unincorporated area.

267.003 Exceptions

(a) The prohibition in 267.002 does not apply to the discharge of a firearm:

(1) at a business establishment that operates an area for the discharge or other use of firearms for silhouette, skeet, trap, black powder, target, self-defense, or similar recreational shooting, if the area is in existence before:

(A) the effective date of this order; or
(B) a school locates within 200 yards of the lot on which the area is located;

(2) if reasonably necessary to protect one's self, other persons, or property, from imminent harm, in accordance with state law;

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1 Chapter 67 was adopted 7/18/2000, Item 23. Chapter 67 was renumbered as Chapter 267 on June 1, 2018 (approved May 15, 2018, Item 7).
(3) to shoot an animal reasonably believed to present, under the circumstances, the possibility of danger to a person;

(4) using blank cartridges for a salute at a military memorial, funeral, or other similar ceremony; or

(5) if the governing body or official of the school gave express prior consent for the discharge.

(b) This chapter does not prohibit or restrict the transfer, ownership, possession, manufacture, maintenance, repair, or transportation of firearms.