

## Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 692

Chairperson: Brad Ashford Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 2, 2007

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 692 is in response to a constituent complaint of a neighbor who on a frequent basis uses his/her property as a private shooting area for himself/herself and friends. The location of the property is in a suburban type area of Lancaster County. The discharge of high power firearms in this type of area is dangerous and disruptive to the private use and enjoyment of the other property owners in the area. Current law prohibits hunting within 200 yards of an occupied dwelling but if you are not hunting but simply shooting your firearms it is not a violation of the current law. It seems inconsistent that it is unsafe to discharge a firearm while hunting but not if you are just shooting trap or other targets.

LB 692 balances the competing interests of landowners by allowing the shooting of firearms within 200 yards if permission is obtained from the other owner.

Principal Introducer:	
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