



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Amedore Passes Legislation to Allow Big Game Rifle Hunting in Schenectady County

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Legislation (S.5316) that would authorize the use of rifles to hunt big game in Schenectady County, sponsored by Senator George Amedore, today passed the New York State Senate.

“I have gotten numerous requests from Schenectady County residents who enjoy to hunt and want to see this enacted -- allowing rifles for big game hunting in Schenectady County is long overdue,” said Senator Amedore.

“We appreciate Senator Amedore sponsoring and passing this bill for the hunters of Schenectady County,” said Mark Storti, former Schenectady County Conservation Council President and former Region 4 Conservation Fund Advisory Board Member for DEC. “Senator Amedore has long been a supporter of the sportsmen and women of Schenectady County, and we appreciate his continued efforts standing up for the issues that are important to us.”

Under current law, big game can be hunted using shotguns, muzzleloaders, pistol, or bow, but not with rifles. More than 40 other counties throughout the state currently allow big game hunting with rifles, including each of the counties that border Schenectady County.

The bill was sent to the Assembly. If signed into law, the legislation would take effect immediately.

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