

HOUSE BILL No. 2052

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

1-23

1 AN ACT concerning firearms; creating the crime of unlawful discharge of
2 a firearm.

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. (a) Unlawful discharge of a firearm is the reckless
6 discharge of a firearm within or into the corporate limits of any city.

7 (b) This section shall not apply to the discharge of any firearm within
8 or into the corporate limits of any city if:

9 (1) The firearm is discharged in the lawful defense of one's person,
10 another person or one's property;

11 (2) the firearm is discharged at a supervised shooting range;

12 (3) the firearm is discharged to lawfully take wildlife, including
13 nuisance wildlife, if approved by the department of wildlife, parks and
14 tourism and the governing body of the city;

15 (4) the firearm is discharged by authorized law enforcement officers
16 or animal control officers;

17 (5) the firearm is discharged by special permit of the chief of police;

18 (6) the firearm is discharged using blanks; or

19 (7) the firearm is discharged in self-defense or defense of another
20 person against an animal attack if a reasonable person would believe that
21 deadly force against the animal was necessary under the circumstances.

22 (c) A violation of subsection (a) shall be a class B nonperson
23 misdemeanor.

24 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
25 publication in the statute book.