



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Amedore Bill to Allow Big Game Rifle Hunting in Schenectady County Signed Into Law

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Legislation (S.5316) that would authorize the use of rifles to hunt big game in Schenectady County, advanced by Senator George Amedore, was today signed into law by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo.

“I have gotten numerous requests from Schenectady County residents who enjoy to hunt and wanted to see this enacted -- allowing rifles for big game hunting in Schenectady County is long overdue, and I’m happy the Governor signed this bill into law today,” said Senator Amedore.

“We appreciate Senator Amedore getting this done 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.”

Previously, big game could only be hunted using shotguns, muzzleloaders, pistol, or bow, but not with rifles. Schenectady County now joins more than 40 other counties throughout the state that currently allow big game hunting with rifles, including each of the counties that border Schenectady County.

The statute takes effect immediately.

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