

## Senate Passes Bonacic's Bill to Promote Education in Hunting, Fishing, and Outdoor Education in High Schools

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(Albany, NY)- State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) announced today that his bill, S.1065, has passed the Senate. The bill would instruct the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to work with the Board of Regents to develop an education program that local school districts could choose to utilize, relating to hunting, fishing, and outdoor activities as a means to present students in grades nine through twelve with information about outdoor recreation opportunities.

"This bill would provide students in high school the opportunity to learn more about hunting, fishing, and outdoor recreation, which would allow them to enjoy these things throughout their lives," said Senator Bonacic. "In addition, the legislation would give students another opportunity to lead an active lifestyle. By providing this choice in schools, we can motivate our youth to enjoy the outdoors as a healthier alternative to playing video games, watching television, or surfing the internet."

This bill has been sent to the Assembly.