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November 2014 Legislative Report

Special Note for Sportsmen/Women:

- End of this monthly report contains key contact information you can use to contact your U.S. Congressman and Senators, state Senators and Assemblyman, Dutchess County legislators and New York groups who support our Second Amendment Right.
- Mr. Bill Conners of the Dutchess County Federation of Fish and Game Clubs, author of the "Outdoor Journal", offers to club members who own their own business the opportunity to purchase a "Business Advertisement" for \$50 in the "Journal" by contacting him at 845-635-1606 or conners@billconners.net. The Journal publication reaches many areas through its distribution of 3500 papers.
- For Dutchess County Federation of Fish & Game Clubs' Monthly Report go to: www.dutchessfishandgame.org.
- <u>New York Outdoor News</u>: Keep up to date with information for New York State sportsmen/women. Yearly subscription.
 <u>www.outdoornews.com/newyork 1-800-535-5191</u>
 - Important site regarding the New York SAFE
 Act:www.governor.ny.gov/nysafeact/gun-reform.
 - Important site regarding the New York State Police Field Guide to the NYS SAFE Act: www.nypdcea.org/pdfs/nysp_safe_act_field_guide

Legislative information:

- Bills are tracked when Legislature is in session from January through June of each year. "What to expect in the second year of the two-year session. New York state legislators are elected to a two-year term. On the first day of the 2014 session, most of the 2013 bills which remain active at the end of the year will automatically be carried into the 2014 session, with some exceptions: bills not carried over will include (but are not limited to) those that were chaptered, vetoed, had the enacting clause stricken, or the sponsor is no longer in the Legislature. A bill will retain its bill number assigned to it in the first year of the twoyear session. If a bill only passed its own house last year, it must repass that house again in 2014, before it can advance to the other house. In general, all active bills will be referred to the original committee, with the exception of Assembly bills which passed only the Assembly last year; these bills will be reported to the Assembly's third reading calendar*. *Exception: if an Assembly bill had a "Home Rule Request", that bill will be recommitted, even if it passed the assembly."(Legislative Rules)
- New York State Rifle & Pistol Organization's Legislative Report site contains bills you should be acquainted with; www.NYSRPA.org....then scroll down to their "Legislative Report".
 - Very important site: New York State Conservation Council. Look up bills and how members of your Council voted! (WWW.NYSCC.com)

Key Impact Bills:

- A6534/S4498-Would allow clubs and preserves to sell ammunition without the restrictions of the SAFE Act. Bill is still in Codes; in other words it has gone to committee for discussion.
- A06466A/S00090A-Eliminates the requirement for hunters to wear back tags during hunting season in the state. Currently only the southern zone is required to wear back tags, except the Catskills;

- the northern zone no longer wears back tags. Currently up for debate in Environmental Conservation.
- A08790/S06589-Relates to any department of environmental conservation management plan regarding mute swans. Passed Assembly & delivered to Senate and referred to Environmental Conservation.
- A08857/S06667-Imposes a moratorium on any plan or proposed plan of the Department of Environmental Conservation to designate the mute swan as a prohibited invasive species or eliminate the mute swan from New York State. Referred to Environmental Conservation.
- A07994-Relates to the Common Core State standards initiative.
 Note: This bill needs to be repealed; the "Common Core" has rewritten the Second Amendment of our Constitution with a negative twist. Currently referred to education.
- A03244A/S68A- Requires semiautomatic pistols manufactured or delivered to any licensed dealer in this state to be capable of microstamping ammunition; establishes fines for violations of this requirement and provides for an affirmative defense if the dealer had a certification from the manufacturer. Ordered to third reading rules CAL .58
- A04971A/S1946A- Amends the definition of all-terrain vehicles to include certain vehicles of up to 70 inches long and 1500 pounds which consists of a side-by-side passenger configuration for up to three passengers and which include certain safety features. Passed the Senate and delivered to Assembly –approved by the Assembly transportation and codes committee-referred to ways and means committee.
- A3941A- Enacts the children's weapon accident prevention act; creates crimes of failure to store a weapon safely in the first and second degrees, aggravated failure to store a weapon safely, incredibly negligent storage of a weapon in the first and second degrees; provides affirmative defenses; directs the Commissioner of Education to develop a weapon safety program. Ordered to third reading rules CAL .60

Federal Concerns:

Nothing to report.

State Concerns:

Sue Serino will be our Senator for the 41st. District! Kieran Lalor won the 105th. District as Assemblyman again Colonel Gibson won the 19th. District as Congressman again Didi Barrett won the 106th. District as Assemblywoman again Patrick Mahoney won the 18th District as Congressman again

Legislative Resources:

County Legislature:

www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/Legislature/CLlegislators. htm

New York Senator— 40th District-

Lalor, Kieran Michael-Assembly-105th. District-

Lalork@assembly.state.ny.us

<u>US Congressman Chris Gibson – 19th District –</u>Gibson.house.gov

Barrett, Didi-Assembly - 106 District-Barrett D@assembly.state.ny.us

New York Senator Sue Serino - 41st District-Sue Serino@NYSenate.gov

US Congressman Sean Patrick Mahoney-18th. District-

Seanmaloney.house.gov

<u>US Senator Kirsten Gillibrand</u>-www.gillibrand.senate.gov/contact/

<u>US Senator Charles Schumer</u>-www.schumer.senate.gov/contactchuck.cfm

<u>Governor A. Cuomo</u>-www.governor.ny.gov <u>Tracking State Bill:</u> www.assembly.state.ny.us www.opencongress.org Note: public.leginfo.state.ny.us contains Bill text and sponser memorandums; NYS laws also.

<u>www.dos.ny.gov/info/register.htm-NYS</u> Register lists notices of proposed regulations.

Important Phone Numbers:

Governor (518) 474-8390 NYS Senate (518) 455-2800 NYS Assembly (518) 455-4100 White House Opinion Line (202) 456-1111 Congress (202) 225-3121 Senate (202) 224-3121

New York State Support Groups:

Shooters Committee on Political Action (SCOPE): www.scopeny.org

Dutchess County Chapter: Chairman-Dave Warshaw-dwars92711@aol.com

SCOPE Legislative Reports are available at this website.

SCOPE INC, Attention Legal Defense Fund Project (For donations)

P.O. Box 12711

Rochester, NY 14612

<u>Gun Owner's Political Action Committee of Dutchess (GO-PAC):</u> This is a NY Board of Elections registered Pac raising funds to support LOCAL politicians who are friendly to our cause of firearms civil rights. <u>www.go-pacdutchess.org</u>

New York State Rifle & Pistol Association (NRA affiliate): www.nysrpa.org Note: NYSR&PA Legislative Reports are available at this website.

New York Firearms: www.nyfirearms.com

Very important site: New York State Conservation Council!!!!!!!!!!

Respectfully Submitted,

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