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Rep. Skowronski Introduces Firearm Education Bill

MADISON... Today, Representative Ken Skowronski (R-Franklin) introduced the Firearm Education Bill. This bill asks the Department of Public Instruction to develop a firearm education course for Wisconsin high school students.

"More and more students are get involved in clay target and action shooting clubs and associations while in school, it's important to ensure that these students become more responsible in understanding firearm safety and mechanics." Rep. Skowronski said.

The bill requires the Department of Public Instruction to work with organizations to develop a curriculum focused on firearm mechanics and firearm safety. The class would be completely optional for students, and no school would be required to implement the class. Classes would be taught by trained professionals certified by recognized organizations and no live ammunition would be allowed in the classroom.

"I hope that parents and students who are interested in becoming more responsible and comfortable around firearms would urge their school districts and school boards to support firearm education classes. Wisconsin is nationally known for successful preps shooting sports. I hope this bill will give interested students the knowledge in gun safety and become more involved in clay target and action shooting clubs." Skowronski continued.

Currently, the Scholastic Clay Target Program has over 3,500 athletes representing 115 teams in the state of Wisconsin alone. These athletes range from fifth grade through college.

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