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14	HOUSE AMENDMENT " \mathcal{B} " to committee amendment "A" to H.P. 60,
16	L.D. 96, Bill, "An Act to Exempt Owners of Shooting Ranges from any Civil or Criminal Action Relating to Noise Pollution"
18	Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 1 and
20	inserting in its place the following:
22	'Sec.1. 17 MRSA §2806 is enacted to read:
24	§2806. Sport shooting ranges
26	1. Acquisition of property near existing range. Except as provided in this subsection, a person may not maintain a nuisance
28	action for noise against a shooting range located in the vicinity of that person's property if the shooting range was established
30	as of the date the person acquired the property. If there is a substantial change in use of the range after the person acquires
32	the property, the person may maintain a nuisance action if the action is brought within 3 years from the beginning of the
34	substantial change.
36	2. Establishment of shooting range near existing property.
38	A person who owns property in the vicinity of a shooting range that was established after the person acquired the property may maintain a nuisance action for noise against that shooting range
40	only if the action is brought within 5 years after establishment of the range or 3 years after a substantial change in use of the
42	range.

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3. Dormant shooting range. If there has been no shooting
activity at a range for a period of 3 years, resumption of shooting is considered establishment of a new shooting range for
4 purposes of this section.

4. Application. This section does not limit nuisance actions against shooting ranges established after the effective date of this section.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

14 This amendment replaces the section of the amendment limiting nuisance actions against shooting ranges. This amendment provides that a person who acquires property near an 16 existing shooting range may not sue the range for nuisance unless there is a substantial change in use of the range. In that case, 18 the person has 3 years to bring the action. If a shooting range was established before the effective date of this bill as 20 amended, but after the person acquired the property, the person has 5 years from the date of establishment or 3 years from the 22 date of a substantial change in use of the range to bring a nuisance action. There is no limit on nuisance actions against 24 shooting ranges established after the effective date of this bill 26 as amended. Resumption of shooting at a shooting range that has been dormant for a period of 3 years is considered establishment of a new range and the limitations of this bill would not apply 28 to such a resumption.

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