

By Legislators Brew and Dondorfer

Intro. No. 253

LOCAL LAW NO. 6 OF 2024

ENACT A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 286 OF THE GENERAL LOCAL LAWS OF MONROE COUNTY ENTITLED "JUNIOR DEER HUNTING PILOT PROGRAM"

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF MONROE, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 286 of the General Local Laws of Monroe County is hereby amended as follows:

§ 286-2 **Legislative intent.** The intent of this Local Law is to authorize Monroe County to permit 12- and 13-year-old individuals to participate in the new hunting opportunities pursuant to Environment Conservation Law § 11-0935. The enacted 2021-2022 New York State Budget included a pilot program expanding the opportunity for young hunters, aged 12 and/or 13, to hunt with firearms and crossbow through 2023 if a County authorizes such participation in the pilot program within their municipality via local law and this provision was later extended through 2025. Monroe County's hunters are a large and important part of our community and this opportunity would allow adult hunters the ability to introduce and teach the proper values and ethics of hunting to the next generation. In addition, teaching such safe, proper and lawful hunting methods to young people will provide a rewarding and productive experience while providing food to families across the area and contributing to deer population control efforts.

§ 286-3 **Authorizing pilot program in Monroe County.** Pursuant to Section 11- 0935 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law, Monroe County hereby authorizes participation in the temporary pilot program to allow a hunting license holder who is twelve or thirteen years of age to hunt deer with a crossbow, rifle, shotgun, or muzzle-loading firearm through ~~2023~~ 2025.

Section 2. The Clerk of the Legislature shall notify the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation upon final adoption of this local law in accordance with Section 11-0935 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law.

Section 3. This local law shall take effect after filing with the Secretary of State pursuant to Section 27 of New York Municipal Home Rule Law.

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ENACTED: Date: August 13, 2024 Vote: 29-0

ACTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: VETOED:

SIGNATURE: *Eday Retto* DATE: 8/30/2024

EFFECTIVE DATE OF RESOLUTION: 8/30/2024

Added language is underlined
Deleted language is ~~stricken~~