

Senate Bill 299

By: Senator Seabaugh of the 28th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 regulation of fire and other hazards to persons and property, so as to provide an exemption
3 for model rockets when defining "explosive" for certain purposes; to repeal conflicting laws;
4 and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 2 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the regulation
8 of fire and other hazards to persons and property, is amended by revising subsection (a) of
9 Code Section 25-2-17, relating to regulation of explosives, as follows:

10 "(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'explosive' or 'explosives' means any chemical
11 compound or mechanical mixture which is commonly used or intended for the purpose of
12 producing an explosion, which compound or mixture contains any oxidizing and
13 combustible units or other ingredients in such proportions, quantities, or packing that an
14 ignition by fire, by friction, by concussion, by percussion, or by detonator of any part of
15 the compound or mixture may cause such a sudden generation of highly heated gases that
16 the resultant gaseous pressures are capable of producing destructive effects on contiguous
17 objects or of destroying life or limb. The term explosive shall not include model rockets
18 or model rocket engines for propelling recoverable aero models up to a maximum loaded
19 propellant weight of 18 pounds. Explosives constitute a special hazard to life and safety
20 of persons because of the danger incident to their manufacture, transportation, use, sale,
21 and storage."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.