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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed S. 1083 - amending the law relating to explosives -- (relating to black powder).

The Organized Crime Control Act presently regulates the importation, manufacture, distribution and storage of explosive materials. Quantities of black powder not in excess of five pounds are not subject to regulation. The bill will increase the exemption up to 50 pounds, so long as the black powder is used for sporting, cultural or recreational activities.

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