

SENATE BILL No. 301

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-31.5-2-180; IC 35-47-16.

Synopsis: Regulation of knives by political subdivisions. Prohibits political subdivisions from: (1) regulating the possession, carrying, transportation, sale, purchase, transfer, licensing, registration, or use of a knife or the components used to make a knife; and (2) adopting an ordinance, a rule, or a policy concerning the manufacturing of knives that is more restrictive than an ordinance, a rule, or a policy concerning the manufacturing of any other commercial goods. Voids any provision of an ordinance, a rule, a policy, or any other regulation of a political subdivision: (1) that pertains to or affects the regulation of knives; and (2) that is enacted, adopted, or undertaken before, on, or after June 30, 2014.

Effective: July 1, 2014.

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January 14, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Policy.



Second Regular Session 118th General Assembly (2014)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2013 Regular Session and 2013 First Regular Technical Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 35-31.5-2-180, AS ADDED BY P.L.114-2012,
2 SECTION 67, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 180. (a) "Knife", for purposes of IC 35-47-5-2.5,
4 has the meaning set forth in IC 35-47-5-2.5(a) and IC 35-47-5-2.5(b).
5 (b) **"Knife", for purposes of IC 35-47-16, has the meaning set**
6 **forth in IC 35-47-16-2.**

7 SECTION 2. IC 35-47-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
8 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
9 JULY 1, 2014]:

10 **Chapter 16. Local Regulation of Knives**
11 **Sec. 1. This chapter applies to a political subdivision (as defined**
12 **in IC 3-5-2-38).**

13 **Sec. 2. (a) As used in this chapter, "knife" means a cutting**
14 **instrument.**

15 **(b) The term includes a sharpened or pointed blade.**
16 **Sec. 3. A political subdivision may not regulate the:**



1 **(1) possession;**
2 **(2) carrying;**
3 **(3) transportation;**
4 **(4) sale;**
5 **(5) purchase;**
6 **(6) transfer;**
7 **(7) licensing;**
8 **(8) registration; or**
9 **(9) use;**
10 **of a knife or the components used to make a knife.**
11 **Sec. 4. A political subdivision may not adopt an ordinance, a**
12 **rule, or a policy concerning the manufacturing of knives that is**
13 **more restrictive than an ordinance, a rule, or a policy concerning**
14 **the manufacturing of any other commercial goods.**
15 **Sec. 5. Any provision of an ordinance, a rule, a policy, or any**
16 **other regulation of a political subdivision:**
17 **(1) that pertains to or affects the matters listed in section 3 or**
18 **4 of this chapter; and**
19 **(2) that is enacted, adopted, or undertaken before, on, or after**
20 **June 30, 2014;**
21 **is void.**

