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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1418

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By: Senator Rice

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF
KNIVES OR KNIFE-MAKING COMPONENTS; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION
OF KNIVES OR KNIFE-MAKING COMPONENTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-16-504(b)(1)(A), concerning the regulation of firearms and ammunition by local government, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1)(A) Except as otherwise provided in state or federal law, A a local unit of government shall not enact ~~any~~ an ordinance or regulation pertaining to, or regulate in any other manner, the ownership, transfer, transportation, carrying, or possession of:

(i) ~~firearms,~~ Firearms;

(ii) ~~ammunition~~ Ammunition for firearms;~~;~~

(iii) ~~or components~~ Components of firearms;~~;~~

(iv) Knives; or

(v) Knife-making components ~~except as otherwise provided in state or federal law.~~

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 14-54-1411(b)(1)(A), concerning the regulation of firearms and ammunition by local government, is amended to read as follows:



(b)(1)(A) Except as otherwise provided in state or federal law, A a local unit of government shall not enact ~~any~~ an ordinance or regulation pertaining to, or regulate in any other manner, the ownership, transfer, transportation, carrying, or possession of:

- (i) ~~firearms,~~ Firearms;
- (ii) ~~ammunition~~ Ammunition for firearms~~;~~;
- (iii) ~~or components~~ Components of firearms~~;~~;
- (iv) Knives; or
- (v) Knife-making components ~~except as otherwise provided in state or federal law.~~

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