

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 581 – SB 1015

April 9, 2013

**CORRECTED SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Deletes definition of “switchblade” from Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1301.

Repeals Class E felony for intentionally or knowingly, possessing, manufacturing, transporting, repairing, or selling a switchblade knife.

Redefines Class A misdemeanors for selling, loaning, or gifting a firearm to a minor; repeals Class A misdemeanors for intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly selling, loaning, or gifting a switchblade knife to a minor.

Repeals Class C misdemeanor for unlawful carrying or possession of a knife with a blade length exceeding four inches.

Repeals Class E felony for possessing or carrying a switchblade knife in any public or private school building or bus, school campus, grounds, recreation area, athletic field, or any other property owned, used, or operated by any board of education, school, college, or university board of trustees, regents, or directors for the administration of any public or private educational institution.

Allows Tennessee residents to purchase switchblade knives and have such shipped directly to their residences.

Declares that it is the intent of the general assembly for title 39, chapter 17, part 13 to be preemptive over any city, county, or metropolitan government with respect to any regulation of the transfer, ownership, possession, or transportation of knives.

**CORRECTED FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

Increase State Revenue – Not Significant  
Decrease State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant  
Decrease Local Expenditures – Not Significant

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006682):** Deletes all language after the enacting clause and declares that it is the intent of the general assembly for title 39, chapter 17, part 13 to be preemptive over any city, county, or metropolitan government with respect to any regulation of the transfer, ownership, possession, or transportation of knives.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

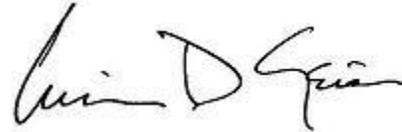
**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumption for the bill as amended:

- It is assumed that the statement of intent will not have a significant fiscal impact on the State or local governments.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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