



TFA 2024 Legislation

Bill Status Report Activity the Week of February 26, 2024

SB908/HB994 CRIMINAL LAW: Threats of deadly force by private citizens making an arrest.



Sen. Niceley, Frank
Rep. Keisling, Kelly

Summary: Clarifies that a threat to use deadly force by a private citizen making an arrest is not in itself considered a use of deadly force. Prohibits a private citizen from threatening to use deadly force during the course of a citizen's arrest unless the arrest is for a crime committed or threatened against the citizen making the arrest or for a violent crime committed or threatened in the presence of the citizen making the arrest.

Amendment

Summary:

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Amendments: CriminalSubAmendmentPacket01.23.24.pdf

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 8, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 02/02/23, H: 02/01/23

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 01/30/24 - Taken off notice in House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 11, Part 6, relative to criminal liability.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Barrett, Jody; Rep. Bricken, Rush; Rep. Capley, Kip; Rep. Carr, Dale; Rep. Chism, Jesse; Rep. Davis, Elaine; Rep. Doggett, Clay; Rep. Eldridge, Rick; Rep. Fritts, Monty; Rep. Grills, Rusty; Rep. Hardaway, G.A.; Rep. Hulseley, Bud; Rep. Lynn, Susan; Rep. McCalmon, Jake; Rep. Moody, Debra; Rep. Powers, Dennis; Rep. Ragan, John; Rep. Reedy, Jay; Rep. Richey, Bryan; Rep. Todd, Chris; Rep. Vital, Greg; Rep. Warner, Todd;

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB1654/HB1713 CRIMINAL LAW: Offense of knowingly transferring a firearm to a person prohibited from possessing a firearm.

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Summary: Creates the Class A misdemeanor offense of knowingly giving, selling, lending, delivering, or otherwise transferring a firearm to a person when the transferor knows or reasonably should know that the person receiving the firearm is prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm under state or federal law.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 17, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 01/10/24

Senate Status: 02/27/24 - Failed in Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Committee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposed legislation appears to be likely unconstitutional under the United States Supreme Court's decision in <i>New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen</i> , No. 20-843. The legislation fails the TFA's "Bruen Basis" test. For the "Bruen Basis" test, please see TFA's website at https://tennesseefirearms.com/2023/12/gun-owners-need-to-be-prepared-to-demand-that-legislators-demonstrate-a-bruen-basis-for-their-legislative-proposals/

SB1657/HB1846 HEALTH CARE: Reporting on firearm injuries and deaths.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Campbell, Heidi
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Summary: Requires the department of health to make an annual report to the governor on the total number of firearm injuries and deaths in this state per 100,000 people. Requires the attorney general and reporter to assist the department, upon request, in collecting information necessary for the report.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 17, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates:

Senate Status: 02/29/24 - Set for Senate Health & Welfare Committee 03/06/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Health Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 39; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to reporting on firearm injuries and deaths.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	

SB1661/HB1707 COMMERCIAL LAW: Charitable Solicitations Act.

 Sen. Swann, Art

Rep. McCalmon, Jake

Summary: Revises various provisions regarding the regulation of charitable solicitations regarding the age of organization to be regulated, public contributions, and tax exemption status. Allows a civil penalty to be assessed if violations occur.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 20, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/26/24 - Senate passed.

House Status: 02/12/24 - House passed.

Executive Status: 02/26/24 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 5, relative to charitable organizations.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Bricken, Rush; Rep. Cepicky, Scott; Rep. Whitson, Sam ;

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB1662/HB1708 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Charitable organization fees and reporting.

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Summary: Changes certain fees payable to the secretary of state by certain charitable organizations from \$50 to \$10. Increases from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 the amount of gross revenue received during a fiscal year to trigger certain reporting requirements. Assesses a late fee of \$25 per month on certain financial reports that are not timely filed.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 20, 2024) Decrease State Revenue \$1,734,700/FY24-25/Division of Charitable Solicitations and Gaming

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/29/24 - Set for House Consent on 03/04/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 17, Part 1 and Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 5, relative to charitable organizations.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Bricken, Rush; Rep. Hawk, David;

<i>Position:</i>
<i>Priority:</i>
<i>Comment:</i>

SB1669/HB1651 LOTTERY: Application by nonprofit organization to operate a charitable gaming event.

●●●○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Johnson, Jack
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Summary: Establishes a five-day period after the effective date of this act during which a nonprofit organization may apply to operate a charitable gaming event during the annual period beginning July 1, 2023, until June 30, 2024.

Amendment Summary: House amendment 1 (013744) authorizes nonprofit organizations to submit an annual charitable gaming event application to the Secretary of State (SOS) within five calendar days after this proposed legislation becomes law for events being held from the period beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024, and for events being held in the period beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025. Requires the omnibus listing of any approved organizations for the period beginning July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, and for July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, to be transferred to the Clerk of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives within 10 calendar days after this proposed legislation becomes law.

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 20, 2024) Increase State Revenue \$300/FY23-24/Division of Charitable Solicitations and Gaming

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/26/24 - House passed with amendment 1 (013744).

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 17, relative to charitable gaming.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. McCalmon, Jake;

<i>Position:</i>	
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	

SB1679/HB1644 EDUCATION: Policy for responding to fire alarm activated on school premises outside of a scheduled fire drill.



Sen. Haile, Ferrell
Rep. Lamberth, William

Summary: Requires each LEA, public charter school, private school, and church-related school to develop a policy to direct how students, teachers, and staff are to respond when a fire alarm is activated on school premises outside of a scheduled fire drill to protect students, teachers, and staff in the event the fire alarm was activated due to the presence of an active shooter on school premises. Requires each LEA to coordinate with appropriate safety teams to incorporate the procedure. Specifies that the procedure must be implemented no later than July 1, 2024.

Amendment Summary: House amendment 1 (011585) rewrites this bill to, instead, require the following: (1) That each LEA, public charter school, private school, and church-related school develop a procedure for determining the cause of a fire alarm activation, including the potential for an active shooter event. The procedure must (i) be developed in consultation with local fire department and law enforcement officials, (ii) comply with applicable fire and building codes, and (iii) include response procedures for students and school staff, including substitute teachers and other part-time staff and school volunteers, after a determination is made regarding whether the emergency situation involves a fire, an active shooter, or other incident; (2) That each LEA, public charter school, private school, and church-related school annually train all school staff, including substitute teachers and other part-time staff and school volunteers, on the safety procedure; and (3) That each LEA, and to the extent applicable, each public charter school, coordinate with its district-wide school safety team and building-level school safety team to incorporate the procedure in its district-wide school safety plan and building-level school safety plan. Each procedure must be implemented no later than January 1, 2025, and must be annually reviewed and updated, if necessary, to ensure the procedure reflects best practices for the safety of students and school staff, including substitute teachers and other part-time staff and school volunteers.

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 12, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/26/24 - Senate passed.

House Status: 02/08/24 - House passed with amendment 1 (011585).

Executive Status: 02/26/24 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 49, relative to safety precautions taken in response to potential active shooter situations.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Alexander, Rebecca; Rep. Behn, Aftyn; Rep. Bricken, Rush; Rep. Carr, Dale; Rep. Carringer, Michele; Rep. Cepicky, Scott; Rep. Cochran, Mark; Rep. Eldridge, Rick; Rep. Gant, Ron; Rep. Garrett, Johnny ; Rep. Hardaway, G.A.; Rep. Hawk, David; Rep. Helton-Haynes, Esther; Rep. Hicks, Gary; Rep. Hicks, Tim; Rep. Howell, Dan; Rep. Hurt, Chris; Rep. Jernigan, Darren; Rep. Kumar, Sabi; Rep. Leatherwood, Tom; Rep. Littleton, Mary; Rep. Love Jr., Harold; Rep. Marsh, Pat; Rep. McCalmon, Jake; Rep. Miller, Larry; Rep. Moody, Debra; Rep. Moon, Jerome; Rep. Powell, Jason; Rep. Powers, Dennis; Rep. Ragan, John; Rep. Raper, Kevin; Rep. Richey, Bryan; Rep. Russell, Lowell; Rep. Sherrell, Paul; Rep. Slater, William; Rep. Stevens, Robert; Rep. Terry, Bryan; Rep. Todd, Chris; Rep. Whitson, Sam ; Rep. Wright, Dave; Rep. Zachary, Jason;

Position:
Priority:
Comment:

SB1685/HB1738 TENNCARE: Expanding Medicaid to provide gun violence prevention services.

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Summary: Authorizes the governor to expand Medicaid eligibility solely for the purpose of providing gun violence prevention services. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 11, 2024) Other Fiscal Impact - To the extent that the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services grants a waiver to provide gun violence prevention services to an expanded Medicaid population, expenditures will increase. However, such increase is dependent on multiple factors, including the actions of the federal government, and cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.

Intro Dates: H: 01/10/24

Senate Status: 02/27/24 - Failed in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to House Insurance Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to expanding medicaid to provide gun violence prevention services.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i> Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>
<i>Comment:</i>

SB1686/HB2825 CRIMINAL LAW: County legislative body - passage of resolution regarding carrying of handguns.

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Summary: Authorizes a county legislative body to elect not to permit persons within the county to lawfully carry a handgun without a handgun carry permit by passage of a resolution. Requires a county that has passed such a resolution to provide notice to persons present within the county by posting notice of the resolution in conspicuous public locations throughout the county.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/07/24 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the carrying of firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposed legislation appears to be likely unconstitutional under the United States Supreme Court's decision in <i>New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen</i> , No. 20-843. The legislation fails the TFA's "Bruen Basis" test. For the "Bruen Basis" test, please see TFA's website at https://tennesseefirearms.com/2023/12/gun-owners-need-to-be-prepared-to-demand-that-legislators-demonstrate-a-bruen-basis-for-their-legislative-proposals/

SB1695/HB1667 GOVERNMENT REGULATION: Firearm regulation by local governments.

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Summary: Authorizes local governments to regulate the storage of a firearm in a motor vehicle when the motor vehicle is unoccupied. Applies in counties having a population greater than 98,800, according to the 2020 or a subsequent federal census. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to firearm regulation by local governments.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Oppose

Priority:

Comment: This proposed legislation appears to be likely unconstitutional under the United States Supreme Court's decision in *New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen*, No. 20-843. The legislation fails the TFA's "Bruen Basis" test. For the "Bruen Basis" test, please see TFA's website at <https://tennesseefirearms.com/2023/12/gun-owners-need-to-be-prepared-to-demand-that-legislators-demonstrate-a-bruen-basis-for-their-legislative-proposals/>

SB1697/HB1823 CRIMINAL LAW: Firearm hold agreement.

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Summary: Defines "firearm hold agreement" as a private transaction between a licensed federal firearms dealer and a firearm owner under which the dealer takes possession of the owner's firearm at the owner's request, holds the firearm for an agreed period of time, and then returns the firearm. States that a person does not have a cause of action against a licensed federal firearms dealer for any act or omission arising from a firearm hold agreement and resulting in personal injury or death of any natural person unless the action was the result of unlawful conduct by the licensed federal firearms dealer. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 17, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates:

Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to firearm hold agreements.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Oppose

Priority:

Comment: This creates a pattern where firearms are privately owned but are placed in custodial possession of a person or entity whose records are open to ATF inspection and will become at some point permanently in the possession of the ATF. Further, legislation does not appear to address whether the individual would have to submit to any future background check, including checks by TBI or local government, to recover their items.

SB1703/HB1979 CRIMINAL LAW: Transfer of juvenile to criminal court for firearm theft.

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Summary: Requires the transfer of a juvenile to criminal court for the offense of theft of a firearm from a motor vehicle if the child was 14 years of age or more but younger than 17 years of age. Increases from a Class E felony to a Class D felony theft of a firearm worth less than \$2,500. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$1,098,000 Incarceration

Intro Dates: S: 01/11/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 01/30/24 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to criminal offenses.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Fritts, Monty;

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB1708/HB1631 EDUCATION: Private schools - adoption of handgun carry policies.

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Summary: Clarifies that a private school serving students in any of the grades pre-K through 12 is authorized to adopt a handgun carry policy for the private school's property.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 11, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/11/24, H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 01/29/24 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 02/26/24 - House passed.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13; Title 49, Chapter 1 and Title 49, Chapter 50, relative to private schools.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Support

Priority:

Comment:

SB1715/HB1664 EDUCATION: Law enforcement officers assigned as school resource officers.

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Summary: Authorizes a law enforcement agency to assign a law enforcement officer to serve as a school resource officer at a school within a local board of education's control that has not entered into a memorandum of understanding with a law enforcement agency to assign a school resource officer to the school. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/11/24, H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/06/24 - House K-12 Subcommittee deferred to 03/12/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 37; Title 38; Title 49 and Title 62, relative to law enforcement at schools.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB1731/HB2288 CRIMINAL LAW: Creation of Class D felony for an offense other than a dangerous felony.

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Summary: Creates the Class D felony employing a firearm during the commission of, attempt to commit, or flight or escape from an offense other than a dangerous felony. Requires a person convicted of the offense to be sentenced to a mandatory minimum sentence of five years imprisonment. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$291,500 Incarceration

Intro Dates: S: 01/11/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment: Possible caption bill.

SB1769/HB1640 **MENTAL HEALTH: Adjudication as a mental defective.**



Sen. Lundberg, Jon

Rep. Lamberth, William

Summary: Expands the definition of "adjudication as a mental defective" to include a person who has been found incompetent to stand trial in a criminal proceeding and requires the clerk of court in such a proceeding to collect and report any such finding to the federal bureau of investigation-NICS Index and the department of safety. Establishes a rebuttable presumption that a person who has been charged with a criminal offense and found incompetent to stand trial poses a substantial likelihood of serious harm. Prohibits the purchase or possession of a firearm by a person who has been adjudicated as a mental defective. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary: House Criminal Justice Subcommittee amendment 1 (012019) renames the bill as "Jillian's Law." House Criminal Justice Committee amendment 1 (013322) enacts Jillian's Law. Requires courts wherein commitments to mental institutions are ordered to collect and include information regarding individuals found incompetent to stand trial in reports made to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)-NICS index and the Department of Safety (DOS). Creates a rebuttable presumption that a person who has been charged with a felony or Class A misdemeanor and found by a court to be incompetent to stand trial due to an intellectual disability or mental illness meets the commitment criteria for involuntary care and treatment. Establishes that such a person committed to involuntary care and treatment must remain committed until the competency of the person to stand trial is restored or, if competency is unable to be restored, until the court with criminal jurisdiction over the charges approves a mandatory outpatient treatment plan that accounts for the safety of the community. Requires, rather than permits, a court to order a person found incompetent to stand trial for a felony charge and who is found not to be committable to participate in community-based services developed by the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (DIDD) or the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (DMHSAS) to attain and maintain competence to stand trial and reduce the risk of becoming committable. Includes individuals found incompetent to stand trial by a court in a criminal proceeding in the definition of "adjudication as a mental defective or adjudicated as a mental defective" for the purpose of criminal offenses relating to weapons. Creates the Class A misdemeanor offense of carrying or possessing a firearm after having been adjudicated as a mental defective or judicially committed to a mental institution. Establishes that it is a Class A misdemeanor offense for a person to knowingly purchase or attempt to purchase a firearm if the person has been judicially committed to a mental institution or adjudicated as a mental defective. Establishes that a person may petition the court that entered the judicial commitment or adjudication order for relief from the firearm disabilities imposed by the adjudication or judicial commitment after three years from the later of the date of release from commitment or the date of the adjudication order.

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 6, 2024) Based on additional information provided by the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, the fiscal note, issued on February 6, 2024, is being corrected as follows: (CORRECTED) Increase State Expenditures - Net Impact - \$2,117,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years HB 1640 - SB 1769 (CORRECTED)Other Fiscal Impact - If the number of new admissions to involuntary commitment under the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities exceeds the department's current capacity, there will be a significant increase in expenditures for additional staff and supplies to accommodate such increase in services.

Intro Dates: S: 01/24/24, H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/14/24 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16; Title 33; Title 37; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to mental health.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Bricken, Rush; Rep. Gillespie, John; Rep. Howell, Dan; Rep. Russell, Lowell; Rep. Sherrell, Paul; Rep. Williams, Ryan;

Position: Oppose
Priority:
Comment: This bill was amended by the House Sponsor so that the amendment entirely rewrites the bill. It continues to present a concern that the proposed legislation appears to be likely unconstitutional under the United States Supreme Court's decision in *New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen*, No. 20-843. The legislation fails the TFA's "Bruen Basis" test in particularly with respect to individuals who fall within the scope of the legislation but who are neither convicted of a crime nor are they involuntarily detained in a mental health or other state facility. For the "Bruen Basis" test, please see TFA's website at <https://tennesseefirearms.com/2023/12/gun-owners-need-to-be-prepared-to-demand-that-legislators-demonstrate-a-bruen-basis-for-their-legislative-proposals/>

SB1785/HB2199 CRIMINAL LAW: MaKayla's Law.

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Summary: Expands offense of reckless endangerment to include a person failing to lock, secure, or otherwise store or make unavailable a firearm and ammunition for the firearm as a Class E felony if a child younger than 13 years of age obtains possession of the firearm, discharges the firearm, and the discharge results in bodily injury or serious bodily injury to the child or to another. Specifies where a child is younger than 13 years of age obtains possession of the firearm, discharges the firearm, and the discharge results in the death of the child or another then the offense is a Class C felony.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$163,900 Incarceration Decrease Local Expenditures \$9,600/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years

Intro Dates: S: 01/24/24, H: 01/29/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 01/31/24 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-103, relative to the offense of reckless endangerment.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:
Priority:
Comment:

SB1789/HB2555 MENTAL HEALTH: Creates the behavioral health crisis intervention services board.

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Summary: Creates the behavioral health crisis intervention services board to provide oversight and input on the development of an integrated behavioral health crisis care system in this state. Imposes a behavioral health crisis intervention services surcharge on certain telephone services. Creates the behavioral health crisis intervention services fund to receive the surcharge funds. (12pp). Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 01/24/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 01/29/24 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Health Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29; Title 7; Title 33; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i> <i>Priority:</i> <i>Comment:</i>

SB1852/HB1934 CRIMINAL LAW: Firearms offenses involving minors.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Kyle, Sara
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf

Summary: Creates the Class A misdemeanor of knowingly selling, loaning, or making a gift of a firearm to a minor for the purpose of inducing or coercing the minor to commit an offense. Subjects a person convicted of such offense to civil liability for any criminal act committed by the minor. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/24/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 01/29/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 4; Title 37 and Title 39, relative to firearms offenses involving minors.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Neutral

Priority:

Comment: Possible caption bill

SB1868/HB1909 CRIMINAL LAW: Self-defense - adult person carrying pepper spray or taser.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Hensley, Joey
●●●○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Bulso, Gino

Summary: Specifies that it is not a criminal offense for an adult person to carry or possess pepper spray, a taser, mace, stun gun, or another similar device for purposes of self-defense when on property owned, operated, or in use by any college or university board of trustees, regents, or directors for the administration of any public or private educational institution. Prohibits the adoption of a policy by a college, university, or other educational institution prohibiting an adult person from carrying pepper spray, a taser, mace, or another similar device for purposes of self-defense when on property owned, operated, or in use by any college or university board of trustees, regents, or directors for the administration of any public or private educational institution.

Amendment Summary: House Criminal Justice Committee amendment 1 (013495) restricts a public college, university, or other public institution of higher education from prohibiting an adult person, including but not limited to, a staff member, student, employee, and other adult person lawfully present on the institution’s property from carrying pepper spray, a pepper spray gun, pepper gel, mace, a stun gun, an electronic control device, or other conducted energy device when in any building, grounds, or bus owned, operated, or in use by the institution or its administration. Authorizes these public institutions to prohibit the carrying of such non-lethal weapons on the grounds of any pre-kindergarten through grade twelve school located on its campus or in any building where armed security is provided or where such carrying is prohibited by contract.

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/24/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 01/31/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/29/24 - Set for House Floor on 03/04/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 49, relative to self-defense.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Barrett, Jody;

<i>Position:</i> Support
<i>Priority:</i>
<i>Comment:</i>

SB1869/HB2872 JUDICIARY: Mental health findings - prohibition on purchase or possession of firearm.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Yarbro, Jeff

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Hemmer, Caleb

Summary: Requires clerks of court to collect and report a finding that a person is incompetent to stand trial in a criminal proceeding to the federal bureau of investigation and department of safety. Prohibits the purchase or possession of a firearm by a person who has been adjudicated as a mental defective, including a person who has been found incompetent to stand trial in a criminal proceeding. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 29, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/24/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/07/24 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to mental health findings.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB1876/HB1867 ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Hunting or trapping of sandhill cranes.

●●●○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Campbell, Heidi
●●○○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Jones, Justin

Summary: Prohibits any person from knowingly hunting, killing, trapping, ensnaring, or destroying or to attempting to destroy, or possessing a sandhill crane. Any violations of the proclamations or rules promulgated by the fish and wildlife commission are punishable as provided, and the illegal taking or possession of each animal constitutes a separate offense.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 01/24/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 02/29/24 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 03/06/24.

House Status: 01/30/24 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, relative to sandhill cranes.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB1880/HB1981 **CRIMINAL LAW: Increasing charges for criminal offense involving possessing a firearm and stalking.**

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Kyle, Sara
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Jones, Justin

Summary: Increases the charge for a person who commits an offense possessing a firearm and has been convicted of stalking from a class B misdemeanor to a class A misdemeanor.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 5, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/24/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 01/31/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment: Possible caption bill. Even as written, the real purpose or the need of the bill is unclear.

SB1927/HB2218 CRIMINAL LAW: Regulation of storage of firearms in certain municipalities.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Love Jr., Harold

Summary: Permits the largest municipality in Shelby, Davidson, Knox, or Hamilton County to regulate the manner of storage of firearms, firearm ammunition, and firearm accessories by ordinance, resolution, policy, rule, or other enactment.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 29, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/25/24, H: 01/29/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 01/31/24 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms regulations.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB1932/HB2106 CRIMINAL LAW: Criminal history records sealed after completion of sentencing requirements.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Dixie, Vincent

Summary: Allows for a person who was convicted of certain criminal offenses to petition the court in which they were convicted to seal the person's criminal history records after having fulfilled the requirements of the sentence imposed, is not subject to any pending criminal charges, and has not been convicted of a criminal offense for at least five years after the completion of any term or imprisonment, supervised or unsupervised release, or probation. (12pp.)

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2024) Other Fiscal Impact - The extent and timing of any mandatory increase in local revenue and expenditures cannot reasonably be determined.

Intro Dates: S: 01/25/24

Senate Status: 01/29/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to criminal history records.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB1933/HB2107 CRIMINAL LAW: Expunction of misdemeanor or felony offense when petitioner is 65 or older.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Dixie, Vincent

Summary: Allows for a person who was convicted of certain felonies or misdemeanor offenses to petition for expunction of that person's public records involving a criminal offense if the person is 65 years of age or older, at least 10 years have elapsed since completion of sentence for the offense, and the person has not had any additional arrests, charges, or criminal convictions.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 10, 2024) Increase Local Revenue \$107,200/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years

Intro Dates: S: 01/25/24

Senate Status: 01/29/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to expunction.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Amend

Priority:

Comment: This bill proposes to provide expungements for misdemeanor offenses if certain conditions are met including that the petitioner must be at least 65 years old and at least 10 years have passed. While a waiting period may be appropriate for expungements of misdemeanor offenses, it is not clear why the sponsors have made this option only available to those who are 65 or older.

SB1942/HB1618 ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Hunting where bait is present.



Sen. Hensley, Joey
Rep. Richey, Bryan

Summary: Prohibits the use of baits and trap to capture or hunt animals protected by wildlife laws in the state unless on privately owned land.
Amendment House Department & Agencies Subcommittee amendment 1 (013293) establishes that it is not a violation for a person to hunt deer or swine on or over privately-owned land where bait is present.

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Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 13, 2024) Decrease State Revenue \$2,200/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/Wildlife Resources Fund Other Fiscal Impact - The proposed legislation may jeopardize federal fish and wildlife restoration funding; however, the exact loss in federal funds cannot be determined with reasonable certainty.

Intro Dates: S: 01/25/24, H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/29/24 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 03/06/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Taken off notice in House State Government Committee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, relative to hunting where bait is present.

AG Opinion:

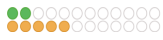
Cosponsors: Rep. Capley, Kip; Rep. Fritts, Monty; Rep. Grills, Rusty; Rep. Hulsey, Bud; Rep. Hurt, Chris; Rep. McCalmon, Jake; Rep. Warner, Todd;

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2020/HB1695 CRIMINAL LAW: Autopsy reports of minors who were victims of violent crimes.



Sen. Reeves, Shane

Rep. Alexander, Rebecca

Summary: States that reports of county medical examiners and autopsy reports of victims of violent crime who are minors are not public documents. Authorizes the release of these records if the parent or legal guardian consents to the release. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary: House Public Service Committee amendment 1 (013326) specifies that the reports of county medical examiners and autopsy reports involving minors whose manner of death is listed as a homicide are not public documents. Authorizes such reports to be released if the minor's parent or legal guardian consents to the report's release and the parent or legal guardian is not a suspect in the circumstances of the minor's death or another state or federal law requires such release. Further authorizes the release of the reports under a court order upon a showing of good cause. House Public Service Committee amendment 2 (013524) specifies that the reports of county medical examiners and autopsy reports involving minors whose manner of death is listed as a homicide are not public documents. Authorizes such reports to be released if the minor's parent or legal guardian consents to the report's release and the parent or legal guardian is not a suspect in the circumstances of the minor's death or another state or federal law requires such release. Further authorizes the release of the reports under a court order upon a showing of good cause.

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Fiscal Note: (Dated January 17, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/29/24, H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 01/31/24 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/29/24 - Set for House Floor on 03/04/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10, Chapter 7; Title 38; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to minor victims of violent crime.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Hicks, Tim; Rep. Lamberth, William; Rep. McCalmon, Jake;

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2039/HB2263 ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Appointees to the fish and wildlife commission.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Rose, Paul
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Darby, Tandy

Summary: Requires that appointees to the fish and wildlife commission participate in activities regulated by the commission. Requires the commission and wildlife resource agency to encourage hunting, angling, and trapping as preferred methods of wildlife management and conservation within this state. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary: House Departments & Agencies amendment 1 (014171) requires that appointees to the Fish and Wildlife Commission actively participate in the activities regulated by the commission, including hunting, angling, trapping, and boating. Requires the commission to establish objectives enabling the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) to develop, manage, and maintain sound programs of wildlife-related outdoor recreational activities that have the primary purpose of utilizing such activities as the preferred method of wildlife management and conservation of game species within this state. Establishes that it is the policy of the state that the TWRA support and promote hunting, angling, and trapping, and including the management of predators through hunting and trapping, as preferred methods of wildlife management and conservation. Establishes that the commission has the exclusive authority over the taking of game and fish, except to the extent such authority involves the regulation of the alteration of aquatic resources. Requires that any proclamation issued by the commission consider the recommendations of professional fish and wildlife biologists and recognize the lawful taking of game, including, but not limited to, hunting, angling, and trapping, as the preferred method of wildlife management and conservation within this state.

Subcommittee Amendments: Departments_02.21.24.pdf

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 16, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/29/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/29/24 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 03/06/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House State Government Committee 03/06/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, relative to wildlife.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:
Priority:
Comment:

SB2062/HB1881 CRIMINAL LAW: Penalty for assault against a law enforcement officer.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. White, Dawn
●○○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Capley, Kip

Summary: Establishes a penalty for assault against a law enforcement officer that is a Class E felony and mandates a \$10,000 fine and a minimum of 60 days incarceration. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$2,360,600 Incarceration Decrease Local Expenditures \$352,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years

Intro Dates: S: 01/29/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 02/27/24 - Senate Judiciary Committee deferred to the Final Calendar.

House Status: 01/30/24 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to assault against certain persons.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Barrett, Jody; Rep. Garrett, Johnny ; Rep. Lamberth, William; Rep. Leatherwood, Tom; Rep. Littleton, Mary; Rep. McCalmon, Jake; Rep. Sexton, Cameron;

<i>Position:</i>
<i>Priority:</i>
<i>Comment:</i>

SB2123/HB2735 CRIMINAL LAW: Firearms transactions - providing materially false information to dealer or seller.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Campbell, Heidi
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Summary: Creates a Class E felony that is committed when a person provides to a gun dealer or private seller of firearms what the person knows to be materially false information with intent to deceive the dealer or seller about the legality of a transfer of a firearm. Creates a Class E felony that is committed when a person knowingly obtains a firearm for the purposes of transferring the firearm to another who is prohibited from receiving or possessing a firearm by state or federal law. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 29, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/07/24 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to firearms transactions.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB2148/HB2100 BANKING & CREDIT: Provision or denial of services based on an analysis of risk factors unique to customer.

●●●○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Johnson, Jack
●●○○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Zachary, Jason

Summary: Requires financial institutions to make determinations about the provision or denial of services based on an analysis of risk factors unique to each current or prospective customer. Prohibits financial institutions from denying or cancelling services to a person based on the person's political affiliations, religious beliefs, firearm ownership, and other factors.

Amendment Summary: House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee amendment 1 (014373) requires financial institutions and insurers to make determinations about the provision or denial of services based on an analysis of sound underwriting and actuarial principles related to actual or reasonably anticipated loss experience unique to each current or prospective customer. Prohibits a financial institution from denying, canceling or discriminating its services to a person on the basis of a list of certain specific factors including, but not limited to political affiliation, social credit score, or any factor that is not a quantitative, impartial, risk-based standard. Prohibits an insurer from refusing to insure, or charging a different rate to a person, solely on the basis of a person's political affiliations or religious affiliations, where there is no exception for the insurers' religious claims. Authorizes a customer to request from a financial institution a detailed explanation within 90 days of the basis of denial, restriction or termination of service. Requires the financial institution to submit upon receipt of the request the letter within 30 days. Establishes a violation by a financial institution of such as an unfair and deceptive act or practice under the Consumer Protection Act of 1977 and establishes a violation by an insurer is an unfair trade practice under the Unfair Trade Practices and Unfair Claims Settlement Act of 2009. Declares that the provisions of the legislation do not apply to a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States, or its agent, to the extent of its operations in such capacity.

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$310,600/FY24-25/Financial Institutions \$307,600/FY25-26 and Subsequent Years/Financial Institutions

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 9; Title 45; Title 47 and Title 56, relative to consumer protection.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:
Priority:
Comment:

SB2166/HB2417 CRIMINAL LAW: Restoration of rights.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Yarbro, Jeff
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Dixie, Vincent

Summary: Permits a person who was convicted of an infamous crime after July 1, 1986, but before July 1, 1996, to petition a circuit court for restoration of the person's full rights of citizenship in the same manner established for persons convicted on or after July 1, 1996. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2; Title 34 and Title 40, relative to restoration of rights.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB2178/HB2908 CRIMINAL LAW: Program for a person to voluntarily waive the right to purchase firearms.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Hensley, Joey
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Summary: Enacts the Suicide Prevention Act of 2024 which requires the Tennessee bureau of investigation to establish a program and form for a revocable voluntary waiver of the right to purchase firearms. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33 and Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Faison, Jeremy; Sen. Swann, Art;

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2180/HB1904 CRIMINAL LAW: Persons authorized to carry a firearm pursuant to an enhanced handgun carry permit or concealed handgun carry permit.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Hensley, Joey
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Fritts, Monty

Summary: Exempts persons who are authorized to carry a firearm pursuant to an enhanced handgun carry permit or a concealed handgun carry permit from the criminal offense of possessing a firearm in a concealed manner at a meeting conducted by, or on property owned, operated, or managed or under the control of the individual, corporation, business entity, or government entity that is properly posted.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the possession of weapons.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Barrett, Jody;

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB2192/HB2196 CRIMINAL LAW: Offense for a person to possess a large capacity magazine.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Campbell, Heidi
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Mitchell, Bo

Summary: Creates an offense for a person to possess or manufacture an ammunition feeding device that has capacity to accept more than 10 rounds, unless certain circumstances apply. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/29/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to large-capacity magazines.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2193/HB2277 CRIMINAL LAW: Prohibits the sale of firearms to persons under 21 years of age.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Campbell, Heidi
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Mitchell, Bo

Summary: Prohibits the sale of firearms to anyone under 21 years of age and makes the sale of firearms to persons under 21 years of age a Class A misdemeanor. Captioned broadly.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2024) Decrease State Revenue Net Impact \$339,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Decrease Local Revenue Net Impact \$138,400/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to firearm sales.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Oppose

Priority:

Comment: This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2194/HB2192 CRIMINAL LAW: Transferring of a firearm to a purchaser.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Campbell, Heidi
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Mitchell, Bo

Summary: Requires a gun dealer to ensure that 14 days have passed since the transaction of a firearm was initiated by the purchaser before transferring the firearm to the purchaser.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/29/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearm transactions.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2223/HB2762 BANKING & CREDIT: Merchant codes and firearms retailers.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Johnson, Jack
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Grills, Rusty

Summary: Prohibits a financial institution from requiring the usage of a merchant code that distinguishes a firearms retailer from a general merchandise retailer or a sporting goods retailer and from disclosing a financial record collected in violation of the prohibition. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 12, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 6; Title 29; Title 38; Title 39; Title 45 and Title 47, relative to merchant codes.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Barrett, Jody; Rep. Boyd, Clark; Rep. Bricken, Rush; Rep. Bulso, Gino; Rep. Capley, Kip; Rep. Cochran, Mark; Rep. Davis, Elaine; Rep. Doggett, Clay; Rep. Faison, Jeremy; Rep. Fritts, Monty; Rep. Hale, Michael; Rep. Hulsey, Bud; Rep. Hurt, Chris; Rep. Lamberth, William; Rep. Leatherwood, Tom; Rep. Lynn, Susan; Rep. Martin, Greg; Rep. Martin, Brock; Rep. Moody, Debra; Rep. Powers, Dennis; Rep. Reedy, Jay; Rep. Richey, Bryan; Rep. Todd, Chris; Rep. Vital, Greg; Rep. Williams, Ryan; Rep. Zachary, Jason;

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2287/HB2350 CRIMINAL LAW: Prohibits permitting a child to have access to a firearm without supervision.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Oliver, Charlane
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Creates the Class A misdemeanor of knowingly or recklessly permitting a child under 12 years of age to have access to or possession, custody, or use of a firearm unless the person has the permission of the child's parent or guardian, the child is under the supervision of an adult, and the firearm was used for lawful sporting activity.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$23,800 Incarceration Decrease Local Expenditures \$1,800/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years HB 2350 - SB 2287

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2288/HB2352 CRIMINAL LAW: Requires owner of a firearm to reports its theft within 48 hours.

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●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Requires a person who owns a firearm shall report the loss or theft of the firearm to a law enforcement agency within forty-eight hours of the discovery of the loss or theft. Not reporting the theft is punishable only by a civil penalty, not to exceed five hundred dollars.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Oppose

Priority:

Comment: This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2290/HB1935 CRIMINAL LAW: Prohibits sales and purchases of certain high-capacity, semi-automatic firearms.

Sen. Kyle, Sara

Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf

Summary: Prohibits sales and purchases of certain high-capacity, semi-automatic firearms. Summary - Prohibits sales and purchases of weapons of war. This includes semi-automatic rifles with a detachable magazine and a pistol grip, thumbhole stock, folding or telescoping stock, grenade launcher or flare launcher, or flash suppressor. This also includes semiautomatic rifles that hold ten or more rounds or have an overall length of less than thirty inches. Violating this law is a Class A misdemeanor. Broadly Captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 11, 2024) Decrease State Revenue Net Impact \$428,900/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/General Fund \$74,200/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years /Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Decrease Local Revenue Net Impact \$175,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact There will be a recurring mandatory increase in local expenditures related to incarceration in FY24-25 and subsequent years. Due to unknown variables, a precise estimate of this increase cannot be quantified at this time.*

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 54; Section 36-3-625; Section 38-3-119; Title 39 and Section 40-14-109, relative to restricting access to certain firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Oppose

Priority:

Comment: This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2342/HB2538 CRIMINAL LAW: Creation of a criminal offense for threatening to commit an act of mass violence.

●●●●○○○○○○○○ Sen. Haile, Ferrell
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Cochran, Mark

Summary: Creates the criminal offense of recklessly, by any means of communication, threatening to commit an act of mass violence and the threat causes a reasonable expectation or reasonable fear of the commission of an act of mass violence.

Amendment Summary: Senate Judiciary Committee amendment 1 (014483) creates a Class E felony offense for recklessly, by any means of communication, threatening to commit an act of mass violence and the threat causes a reasonable expectation or reasonable fear of the commission of an act of mass violence. The classification is enhanced to a Class D felony if: (1) the violation involves threatening to commit an act of mass violence on the property of a school, a house of worship, or a federal, state, or local government, or at a live performance or event; (2) the defendant has one or more prior convictions for such offense or a Class A misdemeanor threat of mass violence on a school property; or (3) the defendant has taken a substantial step towards carrying out an act of mass violence. Requires the court to make every effort to determine whether the defendant is a threat to the public using all available resources, prior to making a bail determination. Authorizes the court to consider evidence or testimony from law enforcement officers, the District Attorney General, a psychologist with forensic experience or training, the Department of Safety, or any other appropriate person in making such a determination. Requires, as a condition of bail or other pretrial release, a court to order a defendant charged with threatening to commit an act of mass violence to undergo a mental health assessment to determine if emergency involuntary admission to a treatment facility is needed. Authorizes a court to also order a defendant to undergo a mental health evaluation to determine whether the defendant is competent to stand trial or the defendant's mental capacity at the time of the commission of the offense. Authorizes a sentencing court to order a person convicted of threatening to commit an act of mass violence to pay restitution. Prohibits a defendant charged with threatening an act of mass violence from being released on bail unless authorized by a judge.

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 25, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$859,000 Incarceration \$6,305,100/FY24-25/General Fund \$2,101,300/FY25-26 and Subsequent Years/ General Fund SB 2342 - HB 2538

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/27/24 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment (014483). Sent to Senate Finance.

House Status: 02/06/24 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 3 and Title 40, Chapter 11, relative to mass violence.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey; Sen. McNally, Randy;

Position:
Priority:
Comment:

SB2438/HB2505 CRIMINAL LAW: Requirement to maintain ammunition in an area inaccessible to customers.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Harris, Torrey

Summary: Requires retailers and sellers of firearm ammunition to maintain ammunition in an area inaccessible to a customer in a retail establishment. Classifies a violation as a Class A misdemeanor. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to firearm ammunition.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2449/HB2329 CRIMINAL LAW: Offense of carrying a firearm with the intent to go armed.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Pearson, Justin

Summary: Deletes an exception to the offense of carrying a firearm with the intent to go armed for persons carrying, whether openly or concealed, a handgun if the person lawfully possesses the handgun, is in a place where the person is lawfully present, and the person meets certain age requirements.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 18, 2024) Increase State Revenue \$7,451,300/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/Handgun Permit Division \$2,280,400/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Increase State Expenditures \$3,152,800/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/Handgun Permit Division \$1,045,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Increase Local Revenue \$685,600/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2453/HB2333 CRIMINAL LAW: Possession or manufacture of a switch or auto sear device made to convert a weapon to shoot automatically more than one shot.

●●○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
●●○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Pearson, Justin

Summary: Prohibits the possession, manufacture, transport, repair, or sale of a switch or auto sear device designed, made, or adapted to convert a weapon to shoot automatically more than one shot, without manual reloading, by a single function of the trigger, and a firearm built from a weapon parts kit, including a frame or receiver parts kit, and not marked with a serial number, unless certain exceptions apply. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$4,200 Incarceration Other Fiscal Impact The extent of any impacts on state and local tax revenue cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2456/HB2336 CRIMINAL LAW: Manufacture or distribution of an 80% frame or 80% receiver.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Pearson, Justin

Summary: Prohibits the manufacture, distribution, sale, or transfer of an 80% frame or 80% receiver on or after July 1, 2024, without a manufacturer's serial number prominently stamped on the item or on a piece of metal securely affixed to the item. Creates the Class A misdemeanor of manufacturing, distributing, selling, or transferring an 80% frame or 80% receiver without a serial number prominently stamped on the item or a piece of metal securely affixed thereto, which is punishable by a \$5,000 fine. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 17, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 38 and Title 39, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2475/HB2648 CRIMINAL LAW: Range training for handgun permits.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. McKenzie, Sam

Summary: Requires all individuals carrying handguns, whether open or concealed, to possess a permit and requires that a person applying for an enhanced handgun carry permit to have proof of having completed a handgun safety course. Also removes the eligibility for renewal of all concealed handgun carry permits issued prior to July 1, 2024.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/07/24 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB2477/HB2695 CRIMINAL LAW: Authorizes an attorney to carry a handgun in specific circumstances.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Hensley, Joey
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Doggett, Clay

Summary: Authorizes an attorney to carry a handgun in a building and room in which judicial proceedings are in progress if the attorney is present in furtherance of the attorney’s representation of a party with business before the court, is an enhanced handgun carry permit holder, and keeps the handgun concealed at all times. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to judicial proceedings.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2516/HB2689 STATE GOVERNMENT: Civil action against person or entity that infringes upon a person's right to bear arms.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Niceley, Frank
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Doggett, Clay

Summary: Creates a civil action against any person or government entity that infringes upon a person's right to bear arms under the Tennessee or United States Constitutions. Requires the person or entity to be liable for actual or statutory damages, punitive damages, attorney's fees, and court costs.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 18, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 02/01/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/20/24 - House Civil Justice Subcommittee deferred to 03/19/2024.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 54, relative to the Tennessee Firearms Freedom Act.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul;

<i>Position:</i> Support
<i>Priority:</i>
<i>Comment:</i>

SB2555/HB2606 CRIMINAL LAW: Emergency orders of protection.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Lamar, London
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Allows a court to issue an emergency protection order upon a finding that a person poses an imminent risk of harm to the person or others if allowed to purchase or possess a firearm. Authorizes a family member, household member, intimate partner, or law enforcement officer to petition for an emergency protection order. Specifies that a person filing a petition for an emergency protection order shall not be required to bear the costs, including any court costs, filing fees, litigation taxes, or any other costs associated with the emergency protection order whether issued inside or outside the state.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 02/01/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/05/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36 and Title 39, relative to emergency protection orders.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2569/HB2126 CRIMINAL LAW: Child to be tried as an adult who commits offense of organized retail crime or theft of a firearm.

●●●○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Taylor, Brent
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Summary: Allows a juvenile court to transfer a child 15 years of age or older to be tried as an adult in criminal court for the offense of organized retail crime, theft of a firearm, or an attempt to commit such offense. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary: House Criminal Justice Committee amendment 1 (014134) authorizes a juvenile court to transfer a child who was 15 years of age or older at the time of the alleged conduct and charged with organized retail crime, theft of a firearm, or an attempt to commit such offenses to adult criminal court. Requires a juvenile court to order confinement of a child who is transferred to an adult criminal court in a local juvenile detention facility, or a juvenile detention facility with which it contracts, or in an adult detention facility separate and removed from adult detainees if the sheriff affirms to the court the facility complies with the current requirements under the law and the facility does not currently exceed capacity.

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/29/24 - Set for House Floor on 03/04/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37 and Title 39, relative to acts committed by juveniles.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Capley, Kip; Rep. Cochran, Mark; Rep. Hill, Timothy; Rep. Moody, Debra; Rep. Todd, Chris;

Position:
Priority:
Comment:

SB2574/HB1720 CRIMINAL LAW: Theft of a firearm valued at less than \$60,000.



Sen. Taylor, Brent
Rep. Gillespie, John

Summary: Increases from Class E and Class D to a Class C felony the classification of theft of a firearm valued at less than \$60,000 and related offenses. Specifies that it is a Class C felony to receive, possess, store, barter, sell, transfer, or dispose of a stolen firearm or firearm ammunition. Clarifies that it is not an offense for a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency to confiscate and dispose of a stolen firearm or firearm ammunition.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 17, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$2,780,800 Incarceration

Intro Dates: S: 02/01/24, H: 01/10/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Sen. Rose, Paul;

Position: Oppose

Priority:

Comment: This proposed legislation appears to be likely unconstitutional under the United States Supreme Court's decision in *New York State Rifle and Pistol Association v. Bruen*, No. 20-843. The legislation fails the TFA's "Bruen Basis" test. For the "Bruen Basis" test, please see TFA's website at <https://tennesseefirearms.com/2023/12/gun-owners-need-to-be-prepared-to-demand-that-legislators-demonstrate-a-bruen-basis-for-their-legislative-proposals/>

SB2734/HB2901 MENTAL HEALTH: Prerequisites for emergency detention and admission to a treatment facility.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Jackson, Ed
●●●○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Kumar, Sabi

Summary: Changes prerequisites for emergency detention and admission to a treatment facility from "immediate" substantial likelihood of serious harm to "imminent" substantial likelihood of serious harm. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 15, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 02/01/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/05/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - House Health Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16; Title 33; Title 41 and Title 68, relative to mental health services.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Neutral

Priority:

Comment: This legislation opens up an area of the law in a manner that could be readily amended to create a Red Flag law. For that reason, this legislation should be carefully monitored for possible adverse amendments.

SB2770/HB1872 CRIMINAL LAW: Enhancement of criminal penalties upon conviction of violent crimes by illegal aliens.

●○○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Bowling, Janice
●●○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Fritts, Monty

Summary: Allows for a court to enhance the statutory penalty up to imprisonment for life without the possibility of parole when an illegal alien commits a violent crime, an illegal alien is using or displaying a deadly weapon when convicted, or there is a conviction for a violent crime which occurred on the property of a school. Also requires that any arrest and conviction that the enhancement factors would apply to is reported to the Tennessee bureau of investigation's human trafficking advisory council. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 01/31/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16; Title 33; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 49, relative to criminal offenses.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB2784/HB2594 ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Requires payment of restitution for illegal hunting.

●●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Bowling, Janice
●●○○○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Rudder, Iris

Summary: Requires payment of restitution to landowners by persons who commit hunting-related offenses on property where they do not have a legal right to be present. Bases restitution amount on the type of animals involved in the offense. Requires restitution to be fully paid before other penalties due to the state are paid. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/29/24 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 03/06/24.

House Status: 02/07/24 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39; Title 40 and Title 70, relative to violations of wildlife laws.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB2788/HB2883 CRIMINAL LAW: Carrying of handguns in public schools buildings and buses by law enforcement officers.

●○○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Pody, Mark
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Summary: Allows law enforcement officers, whether on-duty or off-duty, retired law enforcement officers, active duty and retired members of the armed forces of the United States, whether in discharge of official duties or not, and enhanced handgun carry permit holders, except in certain circumstances, to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, with or without the intent to go armed, a handgun in any Pre-K-12 public school building or bus, school campus, grounds, recreation area, athletic field, or any other property owned, operated, or while in use by any public board of education or Pre-K-12 school. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38; Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13 and Title 49, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2797/HB2809 CRIMINAL LAW: Carrying of a firearm by a retired law enforcement officer.

●○○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Rose, Paul
●●○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Hulsey, Bud

Summary: Expands the definition of law enforcement officer as it relates to carrying firearms to include retired law enforcement officers. Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/01/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/27/24 - House Civil Justice Subcommittee deferred to 03/19/2024.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38 and Title 39, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2837/HB2659 STATE GOVERNMENT: Sergeants-at-arms permitted to carry handguns.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Niceley, Frank
●●○○○○○○○○○○ Rep. Holsclaw, Jr., John

Summary: Permits sergeant-at-arms to carry a handgun in the course and scope of their duties within the legislative complex as long as such persons possess a valid enhanced handgun carry permit. Requires the department of safety, in consultation with the division of protective services within the department, to implement an annual sergeant-at-arms four-hour training program to train sergeants-at-arms in all necessary procedures designed to ensure the safety and security of persons within the legislative complex. Requires a sergeant-at-arms who carries a firearm while in the course and scope of their duties to attend a firearms training course if hired on or after October 1, 2024.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 02/07/24 - Referred to House Public Service Subcommittee.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3; Title 4; Title 38 and Title 39, relative to valid enhanced handgun carry permits.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2871/HB1954 CRIMINAL LAW: Increases penalty for illegally transferring a firearm to a minor.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
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Summary: Increases the penalty for illegally transferring a firearm to a minor from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class D felony and requires that an adult who is convicted be punished as criminally responsible for any resulting crime. Creates the Class D felony offense of inducing or coercing a minor to commit theft of a firearm, robbery, burglary, or aggravated burglary involving theft of a firearm.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$1,613,600 Incarceration Decrease Local Expenditures \$100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact There will be additional increases in state expenditures related to an increase in admissions for adults who are criminally responsible for offenses minors commit with unlawfully sold, loaned, or gifted firearms. The extent and timing of any such impacts cannot be reasonably determined.

Intro Dates: S: 02/01/24, H: 01/24/24

Senate Status: 02/05/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to firearms offenses involving minors.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2923/HB2882 EDUCATION: Age-appropriate and grade-appropriate instruction on firearm safety.

●●○○○○○○○○○○ Sen. Bailey, Paul
●●●●●●●●○○○○ Rep. Todd, Chris

Summary: Requires, beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, each local education agency and public charter school to provide students with age-appropriate and grade-appropriate instruction on firearm safety.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: S: 02/01/24, H: 02/01/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/29/24 - House passed.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to firearm safety instruction.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Bricken, Rush; Rep. Bulso, Gino; Rep. Burkhardt, Jeff; Rep. Capley, Kip; Rep. Davis, Elaine; Rep. Doggett, Clay; Rep. Gant, Ron; Rep. Grills, Rusty; Rep. Hardaway, G.A.; Rep. Leatherwood, Tom; Rep. McCalmon, Jake; Rep. Moody, Debra; Rep. Parkinson, Antonio; Rep. Powers, Dennis; Rep. Richey, Bryan; Rep. Russell, Lowell; Rep. Sherrell, Paul;

<i>Position:</i>	Support
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	Support increased education but needs to address content of instruction.

SB2948/HB1583 CRIMINAL LAW: Liability insurance for firearm owners.

Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
Rep. Pearson, Justin

Summary: Requires an individual who resides in this state and owns a firearm to maintain liability insurance in an amount of no less than \$300,000 to insure the individual against losses or damages resulting from the accidental use of the individual's firearm. Requires the individual to provide documentation of the insurance upon request by a party that suffers losses or damages resulting from the accidental use of the individual's firearm. Specifies that a violation of the insurance requirements is a Class C misdemeanor punishable only by a fine of not more than \$300.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2024) Other Fiscal Impact Due to multiple unknown variables, the net impact on state revenue and the decrease in local sales tax revenue cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Insurance Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 38; Title 39; Title 47; Title 56 and Title 68, relative to firearm insurance.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2950/HB1585 MENTAL HEALTH: Mental health & gun safety awareness campaign.

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Summary: Directs the department to develop and implement, in consultation with the department of health, a public awareness campaign on mental health and gun safety. Requires the department to make campaign materials available to the public for free on its website during calendar years 2024 and 2025. Authorizes county health departments to develop a public awareness campaign on mental health and gun safety.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2024) Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$10,000/FY24-25

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/15/24 - Set for Senate Delayed Bills Committee.

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Health Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33 and Title 68, relative to mental health.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2951/HB1586 CRIMINAL LAW: Extreme risk protection order by law enforcement officers.

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Summary: Allows a law enforcement officer to petition for an extreme risk protection order. Requires the court to issue an extreme risk protection order if, after notice and a hearing on the petition, the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the person poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to the person's self or others by purchasing or possessing a firearm or ammunition.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33; Title 37; Title 38 and Title 39, relative to protection orders.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<p><i>Position:</i></p> <p><i>Priority:</i></p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>
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SB2952/HB1587 CRIMINAL LAW: Prohibition - manufacturing of semi-automatic rifles.

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Summary: Prohibits the manufacture of semi-automatic rifles in this state. Specifies that a violation of this prohibition is a Class A misdemeanor.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 16, 2024) Other Fiscal Impact The extent of any impacts on state and local tax revenue cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 47 and Title 68, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position: Oppose

Priority:

Comment: This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2953/HB1588 CRIMINAL LAW: Firearm storage in motor vehicles.

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Summary: Prohibits the storage of a firearm or firearm ammunition in a motor vehicle unless the firearm or ammunition is not plainly observable and either the owner is present in the vehicle or the firearm or ammunition is inside a locked compartment. Authorizes a civil penalty of up to \$500 per violation.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the storage of firearms in motor vehicles.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2954/HB1589 CRIMINAL LAW: Detachable firearm ammunition magazine prohibition.

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Summary: Prohibits the manufacture, transfer, or purchase in this state of a detachable firearm ammunition magazine that is capable of storing and feeding more than 10 rounds of ammunition. Specifies that a violation is subject to a civil penalty of up to \$5,000. Subjects to criminal forfeiture any magazines manufactured, transferred, or purchased in violation of this bill. Grandfathers possession of magazines lawfully obtained prior to July 1, 2023.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 18, 2024) Other Fiscal Impact The extent of any impacts on state and local tax revenue cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 54; Title 39, Chapter 17 and Title 40, relative to ammunition magazines for firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2956/HB1591 CRIMINAL LAW: Firearm storage penalties.

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Summary: Creates an offense to store or keep a firearm in any place unless the firearm is secured in a locked container, unloaded, and separate from ammunition so as to render the firearm inoperable by any person other than the owner or another lawfully authorized user except when the firearm is carried by or under the control of the owner or other lawfully authorized user. Exempts a juvenile who is knowingly in a mental health crisis to use a defense to prosecution for illegally possessing a handgun.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38 and Title 39, relative to firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:
Priority:
Comment:

SB2957/HB1592 CRIMINAL LAW: Loss or theft of firearms reporting.

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Summary: Requires the owner of a firearm to report loss or theft of the firearm to law enforcement within 24 hours of discovery of the loss or theft. Details a violation is punishable only by a civil penalty of up to \$500.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 18, 2024) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to reporting the loss of a firearm.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2958/HB1593 CRIMINAL LAW: Firearm sales through federally licensed gun dealers.

Sen. Akbari, Raumesh
Rep. Pearson, Justin

Summary: Requires, subject to certain exemptions, that a sale or transfer of a firearm be done through a federally licensed gun dealer. Creates a Class B misdemeanor offense for sales or transfers that are not conducted through a gun dealer. Changes the time frame for clerks of court to report certain mental health adjudications from no later than three business days to within 72 hours. Changes the time frame for clerks of court to report a final disposition of a criminal proceeding to the Tennessee bureau of investigation from not later than 30 days to within 72 hours.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 18, 2024) Other Fiscal Impact There will be a recurring mandatory increase in local expenditures related to incarceration in FY24-25 and subsequent years. Due to unknown variables, a precise estimate of this increase cannot be quantified at this time.* To the extent this legislation results in an increase to the number of firearms sales transacted through federally-licensed firearm dealers, there will be an increase in revenue associated with sales tax and TBI background check fees. Based upon multiple unknown variables, any such impact cannot be determined with reasonable certainty.

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16; Title 18, Chapter 4; Title 33, Chapter 3; Title 38, Chapter 6; Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13 and Title 68, Chapter 11, relative to the transfer of firearms.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SB2959/HB1594 CRIMINAL LAW: Extreme risk protection order by courts.

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Summary: Allows a court to issue an extreme risk protection order upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence that a person poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to the person or others if allowed to possess or purchase a firearm. Authorizes a law enforcement officer, relative, or school administrator to petition for the extreme risk protection order. Requires training for law enforcement officers on how to petition for an extreme risk protection order. Requires the department of safety to develop a public awareness campaign to educate the public about extreme risk protection orders.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33; Title 38 and Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to extreme risk protection orders.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

SB2960/HB1595 CRIMINAL LAW: Committee to study gun violence.

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Summary: Creates a committee to study the impacts of gun violence in communities in this state, prioritizing those that are of lower socioeconomic status and who have been disproportionately impacted by gun violence.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 15, 2024) Increase State Expenditures \$2,600/FY24-25

Intro Dates: H: 01/09/24

Senate Status: 02/14/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/28/24 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/05/24.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to gun violence.

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors:

<i>Position:</i>	Oppose
<i>Priority:</i>	
<i>Comment:</i>	This proposal would likely fail constitutional challenge under the Supreme Court's Bruen decision.

SJR904 JUDICIARY: Constitutional amendment - wearing of arms.

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Summary: Proposes an amendment to Article I, Section 26 of the Constitution of Tennessee to remove the provision that authorizes the legislature to regulate the wearing of arms with a view to prevent crime and to state that citizens have a right to keep, bear, and wear arms for their defense, and not just for common defense.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates: S: 01/31/24

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status:

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption:

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul; Sen. Bowling, Janice; Sen. Hensley, Joey;

Position:

Priority:

Comment:

HJR131 CRIMINAL LAW: Right of the citizens to keep, bear, and wear arms.



Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Summary: Addresses and establishes the declared public policy of the State of Tennessee relative to the right of the citizens and those within the boundaries of this State to keep, bear, and wear arms.

Amendment

Summary:

Subcommittee

Amendments:

Fiscal Note:

Intro Dates:

Senate Status: 02/28/24 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/24.

House Status: 03/06/23 - House adopted.

Executive Status:

Public Chapter:

Caption:

AG Opinion:

Cosponsors: Rep. Faison, Jeremy; Rep. Lamberth, William; Rep. Reedy, Jay; Rep. Todd, Chris;

Position: Neutral

Priority:

Comment: This is a House Joint Resolution. It would not create a new law that would have legal, enforceable effect.