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SENATE BILL 284

Short Title: Amend School Weapon Prohibition.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Cochrane; Allran, Block, Carpenter, Conder, Daughtry, Hartsell, Lee, Marvin, Smith, Tally, and Ward.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

March 26, 1991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR CARRYING A WEAPON ON
2 SCHOOL PREMISES.
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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 14-269.2 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 14-269.2. Weapons on campus or other educational property.**

7 It shall be unlawful for any person to possess, or carry, whether openly or concealed,
8 any gun, rifle, pistol, dynamite cartridge, bomb, grenade, mine, powerful explosive as
9 defined in G.S. 14-284.1, bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slungshot, leaded cane, switchblade
10 knife, blackjack, metallic knuckles or any other weapon of like kind, not used solely for
11 instructional or school sanctioned ceremonial purposes, in any public or private school
12 building or bus, on any public or private school campus, grounds, recreation area,
13 athletic field, or other property owned, used or operated by any board of education,
14 school, college, or university board of trustees or directors for the administration of any
15 public or private educational institution. For the purpose of this section a self-opening or
16 switchblade knife is defined as a knife containing a blade or blades which open
17 automatically by the release of a spring or a similar contrivance, and the above phrase
18 'weapon of like kind' includes razors and razor blades (except solely for personal
19 shaving) and any sharp pointed or edged instrument except unaltered nail files and clips
20 and tools used solely for preparation of food, instruction and maintenance. This section
21 shall not apply to the following persons: Officers and enlisted personnel of the armed
22 forces of the United States when in discharge of their official duties as such and acting
23 under orders requiring them to carry arms or weapons, civil officers of the United States

1 while in the discharge of their official duties, officers and soldiers of the militia and the
2 national guard when called into actual service, officers of the State, or of any county,
3 city, or town, charged with the execution of the laws of the State, when acting in the
4 discharge of their official duties, any pupils who are members of the Reserve Officer
5 Training Corps and who are required to carry arms or weapons in the discharge of their
6 official class duties, and any private police employed by the administration or board of
7 trustees of any public or private institution of higher education when acting in the
8 discharge of their duties.

9 Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor
10 and upon conviction shall be punished in the discretion of the court ~~by fine or~~
11 ~~imprisonment or by both such fine and imprisonment, not to exceed five hundred dollars~~
12 ~~(\$500.00) fine or six months imprisonment.~~ by a fine, not to exceed two thousand dollars
13 (\$2,000), or a term of imprisonment, not to exceed two years, or by both."

14 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1991, and applies to offenses
15 occurring on or after that date.