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Senate Bill 305 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

Sponsor: Senator Mike Green Committee: Local Government

CONTENT

The bill would create the "Michigan Knife Rights Act" to do the following:

- -- Prohibit a political subdivision from enacting any ordinance, rule, or tax relating to the transportation, possession, carrying, sale, transfer, purchase, gift, devise, licensing, registration, or use of a knife or knife-making components.
- -- Prohibit a political subdivision from enacting any rule or ordinance relating to the manufacture of a knife that was more restrictive than any rule or ordinance relating to the manufacture of any other commercial goods.
- -- Provide that any rule or ordinance adopted by a political subdivision that conflicted with the proposed Act, whether enacted before or after its effective date, would be void.

"Political subdivision" would mean any county, city, village, township, municipal corporation, or special district, or any board, commission, or agency of a county, city, village, township, municipal corporation, or special district.

"Knife" would mean a cutting instrument and would include a sharpened or pointed blade.

Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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