



ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 586 (as introduced 9-20-17)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 319 of 1990, which prohibits local units of government from enacting firearm regulations except as allowed by Federal or State law, to do the following:

- -- Expand the definition of "local unit of government" to include a school district, community college district, public library, and any other political subdivision of the State.
- -- Provide that the Act would not prohibit the board of a school district from adopting policies regarding the possession of firearms by students of the district.

The Act prohibits a local unit of government from imposing special taxation on, enacting or enforcing any ordinance or regulation pertaining to, or regulating in any other manner the ownership, registration, purchase, sale, transfer, transportation, or possession of pistols, other firearms, or pneumatic guns, ammunition for pistols or other firearms, or components of pistols or other firearms, except as otherwise provided by Federal law or a law of this State.

The Act defines "local unit of government" as a city, village, township, or county. The bill would include a school district, intermediate school district (ISD), community college district, public library, local authority created under State law, and any other political subdivision of the State.

The bill specifies that the Act would not prohibit the board of a school district or the board of an ISD from adopting or enforcing policies regarding the possession of pistols, other firearms, or pneumatic guns by students of that school district or ISD.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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