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SENATE FLOOR VERSION

April 9, 2015

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1460

By: Wallace, Ritze, and Faught
of the House

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An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending
21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.24, as amended by Section
22, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2014,
Section 1289.24), which relates to the Firearms Act
of 1971; expanding scope of state preemption to
include knives; authorizing public and private
schools to establish policies regulating the
possession of knives on school property; and
providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.24, as
amended by Section 22, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2014,
Section 1289.24), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1289.24

FIREARM REGULATION - STATE PREEMPTION

A. 1. The State Legislature hereby occupies and preempts the
entire field of legislation in this state touching in any way
firearms, knives, components, ammunition, and supplies to the

1 complete exclusion of any order, ordinance, or regulation by any
2 municipality or other political subdivision of this state. Any
3 existing or future orders, ordinances, or regulations in this field,
4 except as provided for in paragraph 2 of this subsection and
5 subsection C of this section, are null and void.

6 2. A municipality may adopt any ordinance:

7 a. relating to the discharge of firearms within the
8 jurisdiction of the municipality, and

9 b. allowing the municipality to issue a traffic citation
10 for transporting a firearm improperly as provided for
11 in Section 1289.13A of this title, provided however,
12 that penalties contained for violation of any
13 ordinance enacted pursuant to the provisions of this
14 subparagraph shall not exceed the penalties
15 established in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.

16 3. As provided in the preemption provisions of this section,
17 the otherwise lawful open carrying of a handgun under the provisions
18 of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall not be punishable by any
19 municipality or other political subdivision of this state as
20 disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace or similar offense against
21 public order.

22 4. A public or private school may create a policy regulating
23 the possession of knives by students on school property or in any
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1 school bus or vehicle used by the school for purposes of
2 transportation.

3 B. No municipality or other political subdivision of this state
4 shall adopt any order, ordinance, or regulation concerning in any
5 way the sale, purchase, purchase delay, transfer, ownership, use,
6 keeping, possession, carrying, bearing, transportation, licensing,
7 permit, registration, taxation other than sales and compensating use
8 taxes, or other controls on firearms, knives, components,
9 ammunition, and supplies.

10 C. Except as hereinafter provided, this section shall not
11 prohibit any order, ordinance, or regulation by any municipality
12 concerning the confiscation of property used in violation of the
13 ordinances of the municipality as provided for in Section 28-121 of
14 Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Provided, however, no municipal
15 ordinance relating to transporting a firearm or knife improperly may
16 include a provision for confiscation of property.

17 D. When a person's rights pursuant to the protection of the
18 preemption provisions of this section have been violated, the person
19 shall have the right to bring a civil action against the persons,
20 municipality, and political subdivision jointly and severally for
21 injunctive relief or monetary damages or both.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

23 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY
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