

General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5227

LCO No. **4648**

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: (JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF FIREARMS BY MUNICIPALITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) No municipality may 2 regulate, restrict, prohibit or affect the ownership, possession, use, 3 purchase, sale, transportation or transfer of firearms or components for 4 firearms, nor may any municipality maintain or enact any ordinance or 5 regulation which in any way regulates, restricts, prohibits or affects the 6 ownership, possession, use, purchase, sale, transportation or transfer 7 of such firearms or components except as otherwise provided in state 8 or federal law.

9 (b) The matters described in subsection (a) of this section are under 10 the exclusive jurisdiction of the state and federal government, and the 11 laws relating to such matters are intended to fully occupy the areas 12 described and preempt any city or town, or any political subdivision of 13 a city or town from legislating on such matters except when expressly 14 permitted by the state.

15 (c) A municipality shall not define any activity related to firearms as

16 constituting a public nuisance or as being detrimental to public health

- 17 and safety.
- 18 (d) The provisions of this section shall supersede any inconsistent
- 19 ordinances or regulations enacted by a municipality.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2019	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit the regulation of firearms by municipalities.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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