

Andrew Stoddard proposes the following substitute bill:

**Possession of a Dangerous Weapon by a Minor Amendments**

2025 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Andrew Stoddard**

Senate Sponsor:

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill addresses allowing a minor to possess a dangerous weapon.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- amends the current offense of parent or guardian knowing of a minor's possession of dangerous weapon.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**76-10-509.7**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 301

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **76-10-509.7** is amended to read:

**76-10-509.7 . Parent or guardian recklessly allowing minor's possession of dangerous weapon.**

Any parent or guardian of a minor who [~~knows that the~~] recklessly allows a minor [~~is in possession of~~] to possess a dangerous weapon in violation of Section 76-10-509.4 [~~and fails to make reasonable efforts to remove the dangerous weapon from the minor's possession~~] is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

Section 2. **Effective Date.**

This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.