

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 620, As Amended

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO KNIVES; AMENDING CHAPTER 33, TITLE 18, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDI-
2 TION OF A NEW SECTION 18-3327, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT A POLITICAL
3 SUBDIVISION SHALL NOT ENACT CERTAIN RULES, ORDINANCES, OR TAXES RELAT-
4 ING TO KNIVES, TO PROVIDE CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT CER-
5 TAIN RULES AND ORDINANCES FROM A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION SHALL BE NULL AND
6 VOID; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

9 SECTION 1. That Chapter 33, Title 18, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
10 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-
11 ignated as Section 18-3327, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

12 18-3327. CONSISTENCY IN KNIFE REGULATION. (1) Except as provided in
13 sections 18-3302 and 18-3302A, Idaho Code, a city, county, or other polit-
14 ical subdivision of this state shall not enact any ordinance, rule, or tax
15 relating to the transportation, possession, carrying, sale, transfer, pur-
16 chase, gift, devise, licensing, registration, or use of a knife or knife mak-
17 ing components in this state.

18 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this section,
19 the following entities may regulate the possession of a knife:

20 (a) Public schools, including public charter schools;

21 (b) Any court of record for any courthouse;

22 (c) All law enforcement facilities;

23 (d) All places of involuntary confinement, including:

24 (i) Prisons and jails established pursuant to title 20, Idaho
25 Code; and

26 (ii) Entities managed and operated pursuant to section 56-203,
27 Idaho Code; and

28 (e) A city, county, or other political subdivision of the state in order
29 to regulate child care facility safety standards.

30 (3) A city, county, or other political subdivision of this state shall
31 not enact any rule or ordinance relating to the manufacture of a knife that
32 is more restrictive than any rule or ordinance relating to the manufacture of
33 any other commercial goods.

34 (4) Except as provided in sections 18-3302 and 18-3302A, Idaho Code,
35 any rule or ordinance of a city, county, or political subdivision of this
36 state that contradicts the provisions of this section shall be null, void,
37 and of no force and effect.

38 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
39 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after
40 July 1, 2024.