

Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1347

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Reeves

3. Committee: Passed both houses

4. Title: Switchblade knife

5. Summary:

Current law prohibits the concealed carrying of numerous weapons, including switchblade knives, without a permit. Violation of the provision is a Class 1 misdemeanor. A second or subsequent violation is a felony.

The proposed legislation would exempt switchblade knives from the prohibition if they are carried for the purpose of engaging in a lawful profession or in a lawful recreational activity that is aided by the use of a switchblade knife.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: None.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. See Item 8 below.

8. Fiscal Implications:

The proposed legislation would provide an exemption to an existing criminal statute. Therefore, it could result in fewer persons being held in jails or prisons. In addition, because criminal offenses can result in fines that are deposited into the Literary Fund, the proposed legislation could result in less revenue for the Literary Fund. However, there is not sufficient data available to project any potential resultant cost savings or revenue reduction.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Corrections
Local and regional jails

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None.

11. Other Comments: None.

Date: 3/9/2017