

Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1432

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

2. Patron: Ware

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Switchblade knife; exception to carry concealed.

5. Summary: Authorizes any person to carry a switchblade knife concealed when such knife is carried for the purpose of engaging in a lawful profession or recreational activity the performance of which is aided by the use of a switchblade knife. The bill removes switchblade knives from the list of weapons the selling, bartering, giving, or furnishing of which is a Class 4 misdemeanor.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate. See below.

8. Fiscal Implications: The proposed legislation removes switchblade knives from the list of weapons prohibited from sale, barter, gift or furnishing, which is currently a Class 4 misdemeanor. A Class 4 misdemeanor is punishable with a fine of up to \$250; such fines are deposited into the Commonwealth Literary Fund (Literary Fund). By eliminating the offense, there could be a reduction in revenue to the Literary Fund. However, there is not sufficient data available to estimate the reduction in revenue.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: None.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.