

RULE 6.8(A) REPORT
OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL LAW AND PROCEDURE
ON SENATE BILL NO. 303

May 14, 2012

Date

I. SUMMARY OF JOINT RESOLUTION

This report is for Senate Bill No. 303 of the 2012 Regular Session by Senator Riser, proposing to amend Const. Art. I, Section 11 of the Constitution.

Requires that any denial, infringement, or restriction on one's right to acquire, keep, possess, transport, carry, transfer, and use arms for defense of life and property be subject to a strict scrutiny standard by courts in determining any violation of the right.

II. CONCLUSION

The proposed measure cannot be accomplished statutorily.

Since the proposed joint resolution modifies a constitutionally protected right, particularly with regard to the authority of the legislature to pass laws relative to concealed weapons, such a modification would require a constitutional amendment in order to have the same level of protection.

III. OTHER PENDING MEASURES

Total joint resolutions introduced: 49

Total joint resolutions reported
by other standing committees: 20

There are no other instruments amending Art. I, Section 11 of the Constitution and no apparent conflicts.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

With Amendments X

Without Amendments _____