

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 303 By Senator Riser

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

WEAPONS. Constitutional amendment that any restriction on the fundamental right to keep and bear arms is subject to strict scrutiny by the courts. (2/3 - CA13s1(A))

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Deleted proposed law language regarding the right to acquire, possess, transport, carry, transfer, and use arms for defense of life and liberty, and for all other legitimate purposes.
2. Deleted language relative to the denial of the right to keep and bear arms but retained language that any restriction on this right be subject to strict scrutiny by a court.
3. Changed language of proposed ballot language.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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Present constitution grants a right to each citizen to keep and bear arms and provides that this right shall not be abridged. and provides that this right does not prevent the passage of laws to prohibit the carrying of weapons concealed on the person.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the right of each citizen to keep and bear arms is fundamental and shall not be infringed. Proposed constitutional amendment further provides that any restriction of this right be subject to a standard of strict scrutiny by a court in determining its constitutionality.

Proposed constitutional amendment deletes the provision regarding the passage of laws with respect to concealed weapons.

Specifies submission of the amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held on November 6, 2012.

(Amends Const. Art. I, §11)

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