

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 466

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE WOLFIN.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 571.020, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to knuckles, with penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 571.020, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 571.020 and 571.024, to read as follows:

571.020. 1. A person commits an offense if such person knowingly possesses, manufactures, transports, repairs, or sells:

(1) An explosive weapon;

(2) An explosive, incendiary or poison substance or material with the purpose to possess, manufacture or sell an explosive weapon;

(3) A gas gun;

(4) A bullet or projectile which explodes or detonates upon impact because of an independent explosive charge after having been shot from a firearm; or

(5) ~~Knuckles; or~~

~~(6)~~ Any of the following in violation of federal law:

(a) A machine gun;

(b) A short-barreled rifle or shotgun;

(c) A firearm silencer; or

(d) A switchblade knife.

2. A person does not commit an offense pursuant to this section if his or her conduct involved any of the items in subdivisions (1) to ~~(5)~~ **(4)** of subsection 1 **of this section**, the item was possessed in conformity with any applicable federal law, and the conduct:

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 (1) Was incident to the performance of official duty by the Armed Forces, National
19 Guard, a governmental law enforcement agency, or a penal institution; or

20 (2) Was incident to engaging in a lawful commercial or business transaction with an
21 organization enumerated in subdivision (1) of this ~~section~~ **subsection**; or

22 (3) Was incident to using an explosive weapon in a manner reasonably related to a
23 lawful industrial or commercial enterprise; or

24 (4) Was incident to displaying the weapon in a public museum or exhibition; or

25 (5) Was incident to using the weapon in a manner reasonably related to a lawful
26 dramatic performance.

27 3. An offense pursuant to subdivision (1), (2), (3) or ~~(6)~~ **(5)** of subsection 1 of this
28 section is a class D felony; a crime pursuant to subdivision (4) ~~or (5)~~ of subsection 1 of this
29 section is a class A misdemeanor.

**571.024. 1. A person shall not knowingly carry knuckles into any area where
2 firearms are restricted under section 571.107.**

3 **2. Knowingly carrying knuckles into any area where firearms are restricted**
4 **under section 571.107 shall not be a criminal act but may subject the person to denial to**
5 **the premises or removal from the premises. If such person refuses to leave the premises**
6 **and a peace officer is summoned, such person may be issued a citation for an amount**
7 **not to exceed one hundred dollars for the first offense. If a second citation for a similar**
8 **violation occurs within a six-month period, such person shall be fined an amount not to**
9 **exceed two hundred dollars. If a third or subsequent citation for a similar violation is**
10 **issued within one year of the first citation, such person shall be fined an amount not to**
11 **exceed five hundred dollars.**

12 **3. Knowingly carrying knuckles into any area where firearms are restricted**
13 **under section 571.107 shall subject the person to the penalties described in this section**
14 **but shall not subject the person to any penalty under section 571.030.**

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