

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study relating to statutory provisions  
2 that restrict the location and manner in which firearms and dangerous weapons may be carried.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - FIREARM AND DANGEROUS**  
5 **WEAPONS RESTRICTIONS.** During the 2023-24 interim, the legislative management shall  
6 study those provisions of the North Dakota Century Code that place restrictions on carrying  
7 firearms and dangerous weapons. The study may include an examination of the state's current  
8 firearm and weapon possession prohibitions as compared to the nation's historical regulations  
9 and restrictions on the time, place, and manner in which firearms and dangerous weapons may  
10 be possessed. The study must include: an assessment of recent federal court cases relating to  
11 firearm restrictions, including public carry; and an examination of the definition of a dangerous  
12 weapon and whether the current definition of a dangerous weapon should be maintained,  
13 narrowed, or expanded. The study must include input from the attorney general, the tax  
14 commissioner, the superintendent of public instruction, the supreme court, the association of  
15 counties, the league of cities, the state's attorney association, the association of criminal  
16 defense lawyers, and the peace officers association. The legislative management shall report its  
17 findings and recommendations, together with any legislation necessary to implement the  
18 recommendations, to the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.