

1 SB177  
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3 By Senators Dial, Holley, Taylor and Whatley  
4 RFD: Judiciary  
5 First Read: 12-FEB-13

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8 SYNOPSIS: Currently, municipalities may not enact  
9 ordinances relating to handgun laws.

10 This bill would also prohibit municipalities  
11 from enacting ordinances relating to violations of  
12 any law relating to rifles.

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14 A BILL  
15 TO BE ENTITLED  
16 AN ACT

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18 To amend Section 11-45-1.1, Code of Alabama 1975,  
19 relating to prohibiting municipalities from enacting handgun  
20 ordinances; to also prohibit municipalities from enacting  
21 ordinances relating to violations of any law relating to  
22 rifles.

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

24 Section 1. Section 11-45-1.1, Code of Alabama 1975,  
25 is amended to read as follows:

26 "§11-45-1.1.

1            "No incorporated municipality shall have the power  
2 to enact any ordinance, rule, or regulation which shall tax,  
3 restrict, prevent, or in any way affect the possession or  
4 ownership of handguns or rifles by the citizens of this state.  
5 The entire subject matter of handguns and rifles is reserved  
6 to the State Legislature. This section shall not be construed  
7 to limit or restrict the power of a municipality to adopt  
8 ordinances which make the violation of a state handgun law or  
9 a violation of a state law relating to rifles a violation of a  
10 municipal ordinance to the same extent as other state law  
11 violations, or to limit or restrict the power of a municipal  
12 court to exercise concurrent jurisdiction with the district  
13 court over violations of state handgun laws or violations of  
14 state laws relating to rifles which may be prosecuted as  
15 breaches of a municipal ordinance."

16            Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
17 first day of the third month following its passage and  
18 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.