
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 598 Session of
2021

INTRODUCED BY COLLETT, COMITTA, KEARNEY, HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE,
SANTARSIERO, COSTA, STREET, KANE, MUTH, FONTANA AND HAYWOOD,
APRIL 21, 2021

REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT, APRIL 21, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 53 (Municipalities)
2 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and
3 other dangerous articles, further providing for limitation on
4 the regulation of firearms and ammunition; and, in home rule
5 and optional plan government, further providing for
6 limitation on municipal powers.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 6120(a) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
10 Consolidated Statutes is amended and the section is amended by
11 adding a subsection to read:

12 § 6120. Limitation on the regulation of firearms and
13 ammunition.

14 (a) General rule.--[No county, municipality or township]
15 Except as provided in subsection (a.4), no political subdivision
16 may in any manner regulate the lawful ownership, possession,
17 transfer or transportation of firearms, ammunition or ammunition
18 components when carried or transported for purposes not
19 prohibited by the laws of this Commonwealth.

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2 (a.4) Exception.--A political subdivision may, by ordinance,
3 regulate the possession, transfer or transportation of firearms,
4 ammunition or ammunition components when carried or transported
5 on any property owned, operated or maintained by the political
6 subdivision, including, but not limited to:

7 (1) Buildings.

8 (2) Parks.

9 (3) Conveyances or vehicles.

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11 Section 2. Section 2962(g) of Title 53 is repealed:

12 § 2962. Limitation on municipal powers.

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14 [(g) Regulation of firearms.--A municipality shall not enact
15 any ordinance or take any other action dealing with the
16 regulation of the transfer, ownership, transportation or
17 possession of firearms.]

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19 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.