1 State of Arkansas

2 89th General Assembly

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3 Regular Session, 2013   HOUSE BILL 1668

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5 By: Representative Barnett

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7   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8   AN ACT CONCERNING KNIFE REGULATION; AND FOR OTHER

9   PURPOSES.

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12   **Subtitle**

13   CONCERNING KNIFE REGULATION.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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18   SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 12, Chapter 15, is amended to add a new

19 subchapter to read as follows:

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21   Subchapter 4

22   — Knife Regulation

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24   12-15-401. Definitions.

25   As used in this subchapter:

26   (1) "Knife" means a cutting instrument that includes a sharpened

27 or pointed blade; and

28   (2) "Political subdivision" means:

29   (A) A county;

30   (B) A city;

31   (C) A town;

32   (D) A municipal corporation;

33   (E) A special district;

34   (F) A board, a commission, or an agency of:

35   (i) A city;

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1   (ii) A town;

2   (iii) A municipal corporation; or

3   (iv) A special district; or

4   (G) Any other local agency.

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6   12-15-402. Consistency in knife regulation.

7   (a) A political subdivision of this state shall not enact an

8 ordinance, rule, or tax relating to the transportation, possession, carrying,

9 sale, transfer, purchase, gift, devise, licensing, registration, or use of a

10 knife or components used to make a knife except as permitted under this

11 section.

12   (b) A political subdivision of this state shall not enact a rule or

13 ordinance relating to the manufacture of a knife that is more restrictive

14 than a rule or ordinance relating to the manufacture of other commercial

15 goods.

16   (c) A political subdivision's rule or ordinance that relates to

17 knives, whether enacted before or after the effective date of this act, shall

18 be repealed and is void.

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