

1-1 By: Huffines, Perry S.B. No. 459
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 11, 2017; February 6, 2017,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 May 8, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
 1-5 Nays 1; May 8, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	X			
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the regulation or taxation of firearms, air guns,
 1-20 knives, or ammunition by a municipality or county.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 229.001, Local Government Code, is
 1-23 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to
 1-24 read as follows:

1-25 (a) Notwithstanding any other law, including Section 43.002
 1-26 of this code and Chapter 251, Agriculture Code, a municipality may
 1-27 not adopt or enforce regulations relating to:

1-28 (1) the transfer, sale, purchase, private ownership,
 1-29 keeping, transportation, manufacture, licensing, or registration
 1-30 of firearms, air guns, knives, ammunition, or firearm or air gun
 1-31 supplies; or

1-32 (2) the discharge of a firearm or air gun at a sport
 1-33 shooting range.

1-34 (a-1) A municipality may not impose a tax on firearms, air
 1-35 guns, knives, ammunition, or firearm or air gun supplies, other
 1-36 than a tax authorized by state law.

1-37 SECTION 2. Section 236.002, Local Government Code, is
 1-38 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to
 1-39 read as follows:

1-40 (a) Notwithstanding any other law, including Chapter 251,
 1-41 Agriculture Code, a county may not adopt or enforce regulations
 1-42 relating to:

1-43 (1) the transfer, sale, purchase, private ownership,
 1-44 keeping, transportation, manufacture, licensing, or registration
 1-45 of firearms, air guns, knives, ammunition, or firearm or air gun
 1-46 supplies; or

1-47 (2) the discharge of a firearm or air gun at a sport
 1-48 shooting range.

1-49 (a-1) A county may not impose a tax on firearms, air guns,
 1-50 knives, ammunition, or firearm or air gun supplies, other than a tax
 1-51 authorized by state law.

1-52 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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