

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 145

Short Title: Repeal Const. Reg. of Concealed Weapons. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Speciale, Pittman, and Adams (Primary Sponsors).  
*For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.*

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

February 22, 2017

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION ALLOWING THE  
REGULATION OF CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Section 30 of Article I of the North Carolina Constitution reads as  
rewritten:

**"Sec. 30. Militia and the right to bear arms.**

A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people  
to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed; and, as standing armies in time of peace are  
dangerous to liberty, they shall not be maintained, and the military shall be kept under strict  
subordination to, and governed by, the civil power. ~~Nothing herein shall justify the practice of  
carrying concealed weapons, or prevent the General Assembly from enacting penal statutes  
against that practice."~~

**SECTION 2.** The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act shall be submitted to the  
qualified voters of the State at a statewide election to be conducted in November of 2018, which  
election shall be conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. The question to  
be used in the voting systems and ballots shall be:

"[ ] FOR [ ] AGAINST

A constitutional amendment to repeal the provision which provides that the General  
Assembly may prohibit the practice of carrying concealed weapons."

**SECTION 3.** If a majority of votes cast on the question are in favor of the amendment  
set out in Section 1 of this act, the State Board of Elections shall certify the amendment to the  
Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enroll the amendment so certified among the  
permanent records of that office. The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act becomes effective  
upon certification.

**SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

