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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6157**

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**By** Senate Committee on Education (originally sponsored by Senators Oke, Bauer, Barr and McCaslin)

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1 AN ACT Relating to dangerous weapons on elementary or secondary  
2 school premises; amending RCW 9.41.280; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.41.280 and 1989 c 219 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) It is unlawful for ~~((an elementary or secondary school student~~  
7 ~~under the age of twenty-one knowingly))~~ a person to carry onto public  
8 or private elementary or secondary school premises:

9 (a) ~~((Any firearm; or~~

10 ~~(b)))~~ Any dangerous weapon as defined in RCW 9.41.250; or

11 ~~((c)))~~ (b) Any device commonly known as "nun-chu-ka sticks",  
12 consisting of two or more lengths of wood, metal, plastic, or similar  
13 substance connected with wire, rope, or other means; or

1       ~~((d))~~ (c) Any device, commonly known as "throwing stars", which  
2 are multi-pointed, metal objects designed to embed upon impact from any  
3 aspect; or

4       ~~((e))~~ (d) Any air gun, including any air pistol or air rifle,  
5 designed to propel a BB, pellet, or other projectile by the discharge  
6 of compressed air, carbon dioxide, or other gas.

7       (2) It is unlawful for any person to carry any firearm into a  
8 public or private school building while school or a school function is  
9 in session.

10       (3) It is unlawful for any person to carry any loaded firearm onto  
11 public or private school grounds outside of school buildings while  
12 school or a school function is in session.

13       (4) It is unlawful for an elementary or secondary school student  
14 under the age of twenty-one to knowingly carry onto public or private  
15 elementary or secondary school premises any firearm.

16       (5) Any such ~~((student))~~ person violating subsection (1), (2), (3),  
17 or (4) of this section is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

18       Any violation of subsection (1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section  
19 by elementary or secondary school students constitutes grounds for  
20 expulsion.

21       ~~((3))~~ (6) Subsections (1), (2), (3), and (4) of this section  
22 ~~((does))~~ do not apply to:

23       (a) Any student or employee of a private military academy; or

24       (b) Any ~~((student))~~ person engaged in military, law enforcement, or  
25 security activities~~((, sponsored by the federal or state governments))~~  
26 while engaged in official duties; or

27       (c) Any ~~((student))~~ person who is ~~((attending))~~ involved in a  
28 convention, showing, demonstration, lecture, or firearms safety course  
29 authorized by school authorities in which the firearms of collectors or  
30 instructors are handled or displayed; or

1 (d) Any ((~~student~~)) person who possesses nun-chu-ka sticks,  
2 throwing stars, or other dangerous weapons to be used in martial arts  
3 classes conducted on the school premises; or

4 (e) Any ((~~student~~)) person while the ((~~student~~)) person is  
5 participating in a firearms or air gun competition approved by the  
6 school or school district.

7 (7) In addition to the exemptions under subsection (6) of this  
8 section, subsection (2) of this section does not apply to any person  
9 licensed under RCW 9.41.070 who is authorized by school authorities to  
10 carry a firearm.

11 (8) In addition to the exemptions under subsection (6) of this  
12 section, subsection (3) of this section does not apply to any person  
13 licensed pursuant to RCW 9.41.070.