

AMENDMENTS TO LB 958

Introduced by Judiciary.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following
2 new section:

3 Section 1. (1) The Assault Weapons Commission is created.
4 The commission shall consist of the following members:

5 (a) The Chairperson of the Judiciary Committee of the
6 Legislature or his or her designee;

7 (b) The Governor or his or her designee;

8 (c) The Attorney General or his or her designee;

9 (d) The Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public
10 Safety or his or her designee;

11 (e) A law enforcement officer of a city of the
12 metropolitan class or his or her designee, appointed by the
13 Governor;

14 (f) A law enforcement officer of a city other than a city
15 of the metropolitan class or his or her designee, appointed by the
16 Governor; and

17 (g) A retailer of firearms or his or her designee,
18 appointed by the Governor.

19 (2) Members of the commission shall serve without
20 compensation but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary
21 expenses as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.

22 (3) The commission shall create a definition of assault
23 weapons, using the general characteristics listed in subsection

1 (4) of this section, and compile a list of assault weapons which
2 meet such general characteristics. The purpose of the list is to
3 provide the Legislature with information regarding whether such
4 assault weapons should be illegal in this state. The commission
5 shall provide the list in a report to the Legislature. The
6 commission shall also recommend appropriate enforcement penalties
7 and procedures.

8 (4) (a) General characteristics of an assault weapon are
9 as follows:

10 (i) A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has the
11 capacity to accept a detachable magazine and any one of the
12 following:

13 (A) A pistol grip that protrudes conspicuously beneath
14 the action of the weapon;

15 (B) A thumbhole stock;

16 (C) A folding or telescoping stock;

17 (D) A grenade launcher or flare launcher;

18 (E) A flash suppressor; and

19 (F) A forward pistol grip;

20 (ii) A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has a fixed
21 magazine with the capacity to accept more than ten rounds; and

22 (iii) A semiautomatic, centerfire rifle that has an
23 overall length of less than thirty inches.

24 (b) An antique or collectible weapon that has its firing
25 pin removed is not an assault weapon.

26 (5) The commission may contact members of the general
27 public whom any member of the commission believes can contribute

1 needed or worthwhile information in order for the commission to
2 carry out its purpose.

3 (6) The commission shall deliver its report to the
4 Legislature on or before February 1, 2009.

5 (7) The commission shall update the list of assault
6 weapons and provide such updated list to the Clerk of the
7 Legislature and the Judiciary Committee by January 10 of every
8 odd year. The commission may meet as necessary to accomplish the
9 requirements set forth in this section.