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|           | MEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1439, Page 7, Section 160.665, Line 67, inserting after all of said section and line the following: |
|           | "160.850. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, chapter 167, or any other  |
| pro       | ovision of law to the contrary, public school students shall not be subject to any civil or criminal   |
| pe        | nalties, fines, or discipline of any nature for simulating a weapon while playing. Simulating a  |
| we        | eapon while playing includes, but is not limited to:   |
|           | (1) Brandishing a food item;   |
|           | (2) Possessing a toy firearm less than two inches in length;   |
|           | (3) Using the hand or fingers to simulate a weapon;  |
|           | (4) Vocalizing an imaginary weapon;  |
|           | (5) Using a pen, pencil, or other writing instrument to simulate a weapon; or  |
|           | (6) Drawing or possessing an image of a weapon.  |
|           | 2. As an exercise of individual rights guaranteed by the First and Second Amendments to the  |
| <u>Cc</u> | onstitution of the United States, public school students may wear clothing and accessories   |
|           | picting a weapon, or express opinions regarding the right to bear arms or the right of self defense,   |
|           | less such actions or speech are properly restricted by a viewpoint-neutral school policy applying  |
| <u>eq</u> | ually to all students.   |
|           | 3. Nothing in this section shall prohibit civil or criminal penalties, fines, or discipline  |
|           | sposed for acts of simulating a weapon that cause bodily harm to another individual, disrupt the   |
|           | ident learning environment, or constitute a serious threat which reasonably places another person  |
| <u>in</u> | fear of bodily harm."; and   |
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|           | orther amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references   |
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