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AUTOMATIC WEAPON USE BY OFFICERS

House Bill 5359
Sponsor: Rep. James A. Kosteva
Committee: Tourism, Fisheries, &
Wildlife

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5359 AS INTRODUCED 12-12-89

The Michigan Penal Code prohibits the carrying of concealed weapons and the transportation or possession of loaded firearms other than a pistol in or upon a self-propelled vehicle or a vehicle propelled by mechanical means. The code also prohibits the manufacture of silencers, fully automatic weapons, bombs, and devices designed to render a person disabled by the release of a gas or other substance. However, the code does provide an exemption for law enforcement officers and corrections officers. The bill would amend the code to specify that the code could not be interpreted to permit a law enforcement officer or a corrections officer to manufacture, sell or possess a machine gun or a fully automatic weapon except in the line of duty.

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