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HOUSE BILL No. 1015

DIGEST OF HB 1015 (Updated January 13, 2000 1:05 PM - DI 76)

Citations Affected: IC 35-47.

Synopsis: Regulation of laser pointers. Makes it a Class B misdemeanor for a person to knowingly or intentionally direct light from a laser pointer at a law enforcement officer in a certain manner.

Effective: July 1, 2000.

Cook, Ayres

November 23, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code.
January 13, 2000, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1999 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 35-47-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2000]:

4 **Chapter 4.5. Regulation of Laser Pointers**

5 **Sec. 1. This chapter does not apply to the use of a laser pointer:**

- 6 (1) for educational purposes by individuals engaged in an
7 organized meeting or training class; or
8 (2) during the normal course of work or trade activities.

9 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "laser pointer" means a device**
10 **that emits light amplified by the stimulated emission of radiation**
11 **that is visible to the human eye.**

12 **Sec. 3. A person who knowingly or intentionally directs light**
13 **from a laser pointer at a law enforcement officer in a manner that:**

- 14 (1) harasses;
15 (2) endangers; or
16 (3) causes reasonable apprehension or fear of bodily harm to;
17 **the law enforcement officer commits a Class B misdemeanor.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Courts and Criminal Code, to which was referred House Bill 1015, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 17, delete "Class A" and insert "**Class B**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1015 as introduced.)

DVORAK, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.

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