



February 17, 2017

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## SENATE BILL No. 344

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DIGEST OF SB 344 (Updated February 14, 2017 12:32 pm - DI 84)

**Citations Affected:** IC 35-47.

**Synopsis:** Possession of a firearm by an illegal alien. Provides that an alien who is illegally or unlawfully present in the United States and knowingly or intentionally possesses a firearm commits unlawful possession of a firearm by an alien, a Level 6 felony.

**Effective:** July 1, 2017.

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### Young M, Koch

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January 9, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections and Criminal Law.  
February 16, 2017, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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SB 344—LS 6915/DI 123





February 17, 2017

First Regular Session 120th General Assembly (2017)

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 2016 Regular Session of the 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 35-47-4-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2017]: **Sec. 8. (a) As used in this section, "alien" has the meaning**  
4 **set forth in 8 U.S.C. 1101(a).**  
5           **(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), an alien who:**  
6               **(1) is illegally or unlawfully present in the United States; and**  
7               **(2) knowingly or intentionally possesses a firearm;**  
8 **commits unlawful possession of a firearm by an alien, a Level 6**  
9 **felony.**  
10           **(c) This section does not apply to an alien described in 18 U.S.C.**  
11 **922(y)(2).**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Corrections and Criminal Law, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 344, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is to SB 344 as introduced.)

YOUNG M, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0

