HOUSE BILL No. 2439

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning firearms and ammunition, and components or combinations thereof; prohibiting cities and counties from taking certain actions with regard thereto.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) No political subdivision shall adopt any ordinance or resolution, and no agent of any political subdivision shall take any administrative action, governing the purchase, possession, transfer, ownership, carrying, storage or transporting of firearms or ammunition, or any component or combination thereof, other than those expressly authorized by statute. Any such ordinance or resolution adopted prior to the effective date of this act shall be null and void. For purposes of this section, a statute that does not refer to firearms or ammunition, or components or combinations thereof, shall not be construed to provide express authorization.

- (b) Nothing in this section shall:
- (1) Prohibit a political subdivision from adopting workplace rules relating to terms and conditions of employment of the workforce; or
- (2) prohibit a law enforcement officer, as defined in K.S.A. 22-2202, and amendments thereto, from acting within the scope of such officer's duties.
- (c) No person shall be prosecuted or convicted of a violation of any ordinance or resolution of a political subdivision which regulates the possession, carrying, storage or transportation of a firearm if such person (1) is possessing, carrying, storing or transporting the firearm without violating any provision of the Kansas criminal code or (2) is otherwise transporting the firearm in a lawful manner.
- (d) The provisions of this section applicable to a political subdivision shall also apply to any authority or to a local governmental entity, including a department or agency, but not including any local or regional jail or juvenile detention facility.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.