
HOUSE BILL No. 1015

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-47-4.5.

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

Effective: July 1, 2000.

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January 10, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code.

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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 A misdemeanor.**

