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BILL SUMMARY

- Authorizes public and nonpublic schools to offer a course in firearm safety and marksmanship called the Ohio Gun Safety Program course.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Ohio Gun Safety Program course

(R.C. 3313.6013)

The bill allows the board of education of a school district, the governing authority of a community school, or the governing body of a nonpublic school to offer, as an elective, a one-semester course in firearm safety and marksmanship. Private firearms organizations must develop the program and may include materials provided by private youth organizations. Minimum requirements for the gun safety course are:

- (1) Instruction on the rules of gun safety;
- (2) Instruction on the basic operation of firearms;
- (3) Instruction on the history of firearms and marksmanship;
- (4) Instruction on the role of firearms in preserving peace and freedom;
- (5) Instruction on the constitutional roots of the right to keep and bear arms;
- (6) Instruction on the use of clay targets;
- (7) Practice time at a shooting range; and

(8) Demonstration of competence with a firearm.

The school district, community school, or nonpublic school offering the course must arrange for adequate shooting range time for pupils at an established shooting range, and must establish criteria for satisfactory completion of the course. In addition to meeting the criteria established by the district or school, students must demonstrate the ability to discharge a firearm safely in order to satisfactorily complete the course. The district or school must give each pupil a certificate of accomplishment when those standards have been met.

Instructor certification

Every instructor for the course must be certified by the National Rifle Association, the Executive Director of the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission, or a governmental official or entity of another state.

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