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AN ACT to renumber 948.60 (3); to amend 948.60 (1); and to create 948.60 (3) (b) and 948.60 (3) (c) of the statutes, relating to: possession of firearms by a person under 18 years of age.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 948.60 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

948.60 (1) In this section, "dangerous weapon" means any firearm ~~having a barrel less than 12 inches long, loaded or unloaded~~; any electric weapon, as defined in s. 941.295 (4); metallic knuckles or knuckles of any substance which could be put to the same use with the same or similar effect as metallic knuckles; a nunchaku or any similar weapon consisting of 2 sticks of wood, plastic or metal connected at one end by a length of rope, chain, wire or leather; a cestus or similar material weighted with metal or other substance and worn on the hand; a shuriken or any similar pointed star-like object intended to injure a person when thrown; or a manrikigusari or similar length of chain having weighted ends.

SECTION 2. 948.60 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 948.60 (3) (a).

SECTION 3. 948.60 (3) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

948.60 (3) (b) This section does not apply to a child who is a member of the armed forces or national guard and who possesses or is armed with a dangerous weapon in the line of duty. This section does not apply to an adult who is a member of the armed forces or national guard and who transfers a dangerous weapon to a child in the line of duty.

SECTION 4. 948.60 (3) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

948.60 (3) (c) This section does not apply to a child who possesses or is armed with a firearm having a barrel 12 inches in length or longer and who is in compliance with ss. 29.226 and 29.227. This section does not apply to an adult who transfers a firearm having a barrel 12 inches in length or longer to a child who is in compliance with ss. 29.226 and 29.227.

SECTION 5. Initial applicability. This act first applies to violations of section 948.60 (2) of the statutes that occur on the effective date of this SECTION.
