

SB 96: Use or Threatened Use of Force

Summary:

The bill addresses the use or threatened use of force, removing the duty to retreat before using force in defense of persons or property. It prohibits the use of deadly force if the person can safely retreat and repeals immunity from criminal prosecution for justifiable use of force. The bill also includes amendments to sections regarding self-defense and possession of firearms, incorporating changes to stand your ground laws.

Cons	Pros
1) Removing provisions stating that individuals do not have a duty to retreat before using force could lead to an escalation of conflicts and potentially increase the likelihood of violence. 2) Deleting immunity for criminal prosecution and civil action for the justifiable use of force could discourage individuals from defending themselves or others in fear of legal repercussions. 3) Eliminating the duty to retreat before using deadly force may undermine efforts to prioritize non-lethal conflict resolution and de-escalation tactics.	1) The bill clarifies the use of force laws in self-defense situations, providing individuals with a clearer understanding of their rights and responsibilities in defending themselves and others. 2) By removing the duty to retreat before using force and allowing the use of force in defense of persons or property, the bill aims to empower individuals to protect themselves and their loved ones without fear of legal repercussions. 3) Repealing certain provisions and incorporating amendments can streamline the legal framework for self-defense, potentially leading to more efficient and just outcomes in situations where force is necessary for protection.