



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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## Synopsis of House Committee Amendments\*

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### **Am. Sub. S.B. 97** 131st General Assembly (H. Judiciary)

Modifies the offense of "unlawful possession or use of a firearm by a violent career criminal" by removing from the prohibition the acts of knowingly acquiring, having, or carrying a firearm or dangerous ordnance and renaming the offense "unlawful use of a weapon by a violent career criminal."

Modifies the violent career criminal specification to require that the offender not only had a firearm on or about the offender's person or under the offender's control while committing the violent felony offense, but also displayed or brandished the firearm, indicated possession of the firearm, or used the firearm to facilitate the violent felony offense.

Provides that a person is guilty of aggravated murder if the person purposely causes the death of another as part of a course of conduct involving the purposeful killing of or attempt to kill two or more persons.