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Mr. Speaker,

The Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 129**, SELF-DEFENSE AMENDMENTS, by Representative A. Cory Maloy, with the following amendments:

1. *Page 1, Lines 11 through 16:*

- 11 This bill:
- 12 ▶ provides that an individual is not required to retreat from an aggressor {~~even~~
13 **if there**
is a safe place to which the individual can retreat} ;
- 14 ▶ provides that an individual's failure to retreat is not relevant when determining
15 whether the individual acted reasonably; and
- 16 ▶ makes technical changes.

2. *Page 3, Lines 65 through 71:*

- 65 (4) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(a)(iii):
- 66 (a) an individual does not have a duty to retreat from the force or threatened force
67 described in Subsection (2) in a place where that individual has lawfully entered or
remained {~~.~~
68 **even if safety could be achieved by retreating**} ; and
- 69 (b) the failure of an individual to retreat under the provisions of Subsection (4)(a) is
not
70 a relevant factor in determining whether the individual who used or threatened force acted
71 reasonably.

Respectfully,
Lee B. Perry
Chair

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