AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95(A)(4)(a) and to repeal R.S. 14:95(J), relative to the illegal carrying of knives; to repeal the prohibition on the manufacturing, ownership, possession, and custody of certain switchblade knives, spring knives, or other knives or similar instruments having a blade; to prohibit the intentional concealment on one's person of certain switchblade knives, spring knives, or other knives or similar instruments having a blade; to repeal the exception to this offense for rescue knives sold to or possessed, owned, or carried by law enforcement and the exception for merchants who own or possess rescue knives as inventory to be offered for sale to law enforcement officers; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 14:95(A)(4)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
§95. Illegal carrying of weapons
A. Illegal carrying of weapons is:

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(4)(a) The manufacture, ownership, possession, custody or use intentional concealment on one's person of any switchblade knife, spring knife, or other knife or similar instrument having a blade which may be automatically unfolded or extended from a handle by the manipulation of a button, switch, latch, or similar contrivance located on the handle.

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Section 2. R.S. 14:95(J) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ___________________