HB 1185 -- UNLAWFUL USE OF WEAPONS

SPONSOR: Cook

This bill changes the offense of unlawful use of weapons when controlled substances are involved. Currently, possession of a firearm while also knowingly possessing a controlled substance is a class E felony. This bill increases the punishment of that offense to a class C felony. The bill also adds possession of a stolen firearm while also possessing a controlled substance as a new way to commit unlawful use of weapons. This offense is a class B felony that requires the offender to serve 85% of his or her sentence before becoming parole-eligible.