

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 602

2018 Regular Session

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WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Provides relative to the carrying of a concealed handgun at a school

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Amends the exception to the crime that prohibits the carrying of a firearm on school property, at school-sponsored functions, or in a firearm free zone, to provide that the exception for a concealed handgun permit holder applies if the person carries the concealed weapon within 1,000 feet of any school campus.
2. Reinstates the provision of present law which provides that a concealed handgun permit does not authorize nor entitle the permit holder to carry a concealed handgun into a school, school campus, or school bus.
3. Removes from proposed law the provisions relative to the carrying of a concealed handgun into a school, school campus, or school bus by a concealed handgun permit holder who is also a student, teacher, administrator, or employee of a school, which includes the removal of provisions relative to the school's authority to regulate the carrying of firearms and the school's immunity from liability for damages arising from or related to a visitor's use or failure to use a firearm.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law provides for a crime which prohibits the carrying of a firearm or dangerous weapon by a student or nonstudent on school property, at school-sponsored functions, or in a firearm free zone, and further provides for specific exceptions to this offense. Present law further provides for certain exceptions to this offense.

Present law provides for the issuance of a concealed handgun permit for a person who meets certain eligibility and training requirements, but further provides that a concealed handgun permit does not authorize nor entitle the permit holder to carry a concealed handgun in certain places, including into a school, school campus, or a school bus.

Proposed law retains present law but adds an exception to the present law crime for any person who has a valid concealed handgun permit issued pursuant to present law who carries a concealed handgun within one thousand feet of any school campus.

(Amends R.S. 14:95.2(C)(4); Adds R.S. 14:95.2(C)(9))