

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 322 (HB 746)**

**2020 Regular Session**

**Garofalo**

Existing law (R.S. 14:95) prohibits the carrying of a concealed firearm, provides for criminal penalties, and provides for certain exceptions to the offense.

New law creates an exception to the existing law crime for any person who is not prohibited from possessing a firearm pursuant to existing state or federal law and who is carrying a concealed firearm on or about his person while in the act of evacuating during a mandatory evacuation order issued during a state of emergency or disaster declared pursuant to the La. Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act.

For purposes of new law, "in the act of evacuating" is defined as the immediate and urgent movement of a person away from the evacuation area within 48 hours after a mandatory evacuation is ordered. The 48-hour period may be extended by an order issued by the governor.

Effective Aug. 1, 2020.

(Adds R.S. 14:95(L))