

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 602

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIGUEZ

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

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1379.3(X) and to repeal R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11), relative to concealed
3 handgun permits; to provide relative to the carrying of a concealed handgun into any
4 school, school campus, or school bus; to provide relative to the authority of a
5 concealed handgun permittee who is a teacher, administrator, student, or employee
6 of a school; to provide relative to the authority of a school to regulate the carrying
7 of firearms in certain venues and facilities of the institution; and to provide for
8 related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 40:1379.3(X) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures;
12 definitions

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14 X. If the concealed handgun permittee is a teacher, administrator, or
15 employee of any school acting within the course and scope of his employment, or is
16 a student of any school, the provisions of this Section shall not be construed to
17 authorize the teacher, administrator, employee, or student of the school to carry a
18 concealed handgun into any school, school campus, or school bus, as defined by R.S.
19 14:95.6 unless specifically authorized to do so by law. Nothing in this Subsection
20 shall limit the authority of a school to prohibit a person from carrying a firearm, or

- 1 to regulate the carrying of a firearm, in certain venues or facilities of the school
2 unless the person is otherwise authorized to do so by law.
3 Section 2. R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11) is hereby repealed in its entirety.
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DIGEST

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HB 602 Engrossed

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Abstract: Provides relative to the carrying of a concealed handgun into any school, school campus, or school bus.

Present law provides for the issuance of a concealed handgun permit for a person who meets certain eligibility and training requirements.

Present law 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 repeals this present law exception relative to schools, school campuses, or school buses, but provides that if the concealed handgun permittee is a teacher, administrator, or employee of any school acting within the course and scope of his employment, or is a student of any school, the provisions of present and proposed law shall not be construed to authorize the teacher, administrator, employee, or student of the school to carry a concealed handgun into any school, school campus, or school bus unless specifically authorized to do so by law.

Further provides that nothing in proposed law limits the authority of a school to prohibit a person from carrying a firearm, or to regulate the carrying of a firearm, in certain venues or facilities of the school unless the person is otherwise authorized to do so by law.

(Adds R.S. 40:1379.3(X); Repeals R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Add that the provisions of proposed law do not authorize a student of the school to carry a concealed handgun into any school, school campus, or school bus unless specifically authorized to do so by law.
2. Add that proposed law does not limit the authority of the school to prohibit or regulate the carrying of firearms by a person in certain venues and facilities of the school, unless the person is otherwise authorized to do so by law.