

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

HB 702

2018 Regular Session

Bouie

May 16, 2018

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 702 by Representative Bouie, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 by Senator Carter (#3842) be adopted.
2. That Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 by Senator Carter (#3842) be rejected.
3. That the following amendments to the Engrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the end of line 18, add the following:

"For a former member of the legislature, the valid identification showing proof of status as a former legislator required by the provisions of this Paragraph shall be a legislative badge issued by the Louisiana Legislature that shall include the former member's name, the number of the district that the former member was elected to represent, the years that the former member served in the legislature, and words that indicate the person's status as a former member of the legislature."

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Joseph Bouie

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Senator Dan Claitor

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Representative Sherman Mack

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Senator Troy Carter

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Representative Blake Miguez

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Senator Mack "Bodi" White, Jr.

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

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### Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Adds former members of the legislature to the list of persons who are excepted from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons

### Report adopts Senate amendments to:

1. Add that the annual qualification required of persons who are excepted from the crime of illegal carrying weapons shall be conducted at the expense of the person excepted.

### Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Provided that a legislative badge is an accepted form of valid identification showing proof of status as an active or retired public official excepted from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons pursuant to present and proposed law.

### Report amends the bill to:

1. Provide that for a former member of the legislature, valid identification showing proof of status shall be a legislative badge and provide for the requirements of the legislative badge.

### Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Present law provides for the crime of illegal carrying of weapons, which prohibits the carrying of concealed weapons, and identifies certain active and retired public officials who can lawfully carry a concealed weapon. Further requires such persons to qualify annually in the use of firearms and have on their person valid identification showing proof of their status.

Proposed law provides that the annual qualification required of persons who are excepted from the crime of illegal carrying weapons shall be at the expense of the person excepted.

Proposed law adds former members of either house of the legislature to the list of persons who can lawfully carry a concealed weapon. Further requires such persons to comply with provisions of present law requiring annual qualification in the use of firearms by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training and have on his person a legislative badge issued by the La. Legislature that contains the former member's name, the number of the district that the former member was elected to represent, the years that the former member served in the legislature, and words that indicate person's status as a former member of the legislature.

Proposed law shall not apply to a former member of the legislature who is medically retired based upon any mental impairment, or who has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to or been found guilty of a felony offense.

(Amends R.S. 14:95(K))