

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 328

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WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Prohibits the carrying of firearms in college or university dormitories

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95.2(C)(introductory paragraph) and (6) through (8), relative
3 to firearms; to provide relative to the crime of carrying a firearm or dangerous
4 weapon by a student or nonstudent on school property, at school-sponsored
5 functions, or in a firearm-free zone; to provide relative to exceptions for this offense;
6 and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 14:95.2(C)(introductory paragraph) and (6) through (8) are hereby
9 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §95.2. Carrying a firearm or dangerous weapon by a student or nonstudent on school
11 property, at school-sponsored functions, or in a firearm-free zone

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13 C. The provisions of this Section ~~shall~~ do not apply to any of the following:

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15 (6) Any student carrying a firearm to or from a class, in which he is duly
16 enrolled, that requires the use of the firearm in the class. However, such firearm
17 shall not be possessed in the dormitory room of that student.

18 (7) A student enrolled or participating in an activity requiring the use of a
19 firearm including but not limited to any ROTC function under the authorization of

1 a university. However, such firearm shall not be possessed in the dormitory room
2 of that student.

3 (8) A student who possesses a firearm ~~in his dormitory room~~ or while going
4 to or from his vehicle or any other person with permission of the administration.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits the carrying of firearms in college or university dormitories.

Present law provides for the crime of carrying a firearm or dangerous weapon by a student or nonstudent on school property, at school-sponsored functions, or in a firearm-free zone and provides for penalties.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law lists exceptions to this criminal offense and provides that three of these exceptions are as follows:

- (1) Any student carrying a firearm to or from a class, in which he is duly enrolled, that requires the use of the firearm in the class.
- (2) A student enrolled or participating in an activity requiring the use of a firearm including but not limited to any ROTC function under the authorization of a university.
- (3) A student who possesses a firearm in his dormitory room or while going to or from his vehicle or any other person with permission of the administration.

Relative to the present law exceptions of carrying a firearm to or from a class that requires the use of the firearm in that class and activities that require the use of a firearm under the authorization of a university, proposed law prohibits the possession of such firearm in the dormitory room of that student.

Proposed law further amends present law to remove the dormitory room of a student as a location where possession of a firearm is permitted as an exception to the present law crime.

(Amends R.S. 14:95.2(C)(intro. para.) and (6)-(8))