
DIGEST

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HB 37 Engrossed

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McCormick

Abstract: Exempts certain persons from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons, and removes the requirement that a person possess a permit issued by the state in order to carry a concealed handgun.

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

Proposed law creates an exception to this prohibition for a person who is 21 years of age or older and who is not prohibited from possessing a firearm under any federal or state law.

Present law (R.S. 40:1379.3) provides that La. residents who meet certain eligibility requirements may apply for and be issued a concealed handgun permit authorizing the person to carry a concealed handgun on his person in the state. Present law requires the person to possess a valid concealed handgun permit issued by the state in order to carry a concealed handgun.

Proposed law removes the requirement that a person possess a permit issued by the state in order to carry a concealed handgun.

(Amends R.S. 40:1379.3(B); Adds R.S. 14:95(M))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Increase the minimum age a person must be to legally carry a weapon from 18 years of age to 21 years of age.