Seabaugh **HB No. 489**

(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

WEAPONS/FIREARMS. Amends provisions of law regarding concealed handgun permits.

DIGEST

Present law provides for the issuance of concealed handgun permits.

Present law provides that a person has to be a resident of the state for six months or longer to be eligible for a concealed handgun permit.

Proposed law removes the six-month residency requirement.

Present law defines "resident" for purposes of the concealed handgun permit law as a person who maintains a dwelling in Louisiana and is physically in Louisiana at least 51% of each calendar year. Provides further that a person who maintains a dwelling in this state but is not physically present in the state at least 51% of each calendar year shall be considered a "resident" if such person is on U.S. military duty in another state or is attending school in another state.

Proposed law deletes present law and defines "resident" as a person who is legally domiciled in Louisiana. Further requires that an individual to prove his legal domicile by providing a copy of a valid Louisiana driver's license or an official Louisiana identification card.

(Amends R.S. 40:1379.3(C)(3) and (J)(3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Removed provisions authorizing La. residents to use their out-of-state permits for a certain period of time.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the engrossed bill.

1. Add provision regarding definition of "resident".

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