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ACT No. 401

HOUSE BILL NO. 8

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1379.3(A)(3), relative to concealed handgun permits; to prohibit the
3 release, dissemination, or publishing of information with respect to concealed
4 handgun permit applications; to provide for exceptions; to provide for criminal
5 penalties; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1379.3(A)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures;
9 definitions

10 A.

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12 (3)(a) Absent a valid court order requiring the release of information, or
13 unless an applicant or a recipient of a concealed handgun permit is charged with a
14 felony offense involving the use of a handgun, it shall be unlawful for any employee
15 of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections or any law enforcement officer
16 to intentionally release or disseminate for publication any information contained in
17 an application for a concealed handgun permit or any information regarding the
18 identity of any person who applied for or received a concealed handgun permit
19 issued pursuant to this Section. A person who violates the provisions of this

1 Subparagraph shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, imprisoned for not
2 more than six months, or both.

3 (b)(i) It shall be unlawful for any person other than an employee of the
4 Department of Public Safety and Corrections or a law enforcement officer to
5 intentionally release, disseminate, or make public in any manner any information
6 contained in an application for a concealed handgun permit or any information
7 regarding the identity of any person who applied for or received a concealed
8 handgun permit issued pursuant to this Section. Any person who violates the
9 provisions of this Subparagraph shall be fined ten thousand dollars and may be
10 imprisoned for not more than six months.

11 (ii) The provisions of this Subparagraph shall not apply to the release of
12 information under any of the following circumstances:

13 (aa) A valid court order requires the release of the information.

14 (bb) The information released identifies a concealed handgun permit holder
15 or applicant who is charged with a felony offense involving the use of a handgun.

16 (cc) The information regarding a concealed handgun permit applicant or
17 holder is released pursuant to the express approval for the release of such
18 information by that permit applicant or holder.

19 (dd) The information regarding a concealed handgun permit holder or
20 applicant has been made public by that concealed handgun permit holder or
21 applicant.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____