

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 519

BY REPRESENTATIVE IVEY

WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Authorizes the possession of short barrel firearms without federal registration for lifetime concealed handgun permit holders

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1789.1, relative to the possession of certain firearms; to provide that a
3 lifetime concealed handgun permit authorizes the holder to possess certain firearms
4 without further registration; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions;
5 to provide for a nontransferable privilege; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1789.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1789.1. Possession of certain firearms; holder of lifetime concealed handgun
9 permit authorized to possess without registration

10 A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a Louisiana
11 resident who is the holder of a valid lifetime concealed handgun permit as authorized
12 by the provisions of R.S. 40:1379.3(V) may possess a firearm as defined by this
13 Section without the necessity of registering that firearm as required by federal law.

14 B. For the purposes of this Section, "firearm" means a shotgun having a
15 barrel of less than eighteen inches in length, a rifle having a barrel of less than
16 sixteen inches in length, or any weapon made from either a rifle or a shotgun if the
17 weapon has been modified to have an overall length of less than twenty-six inches.

18 C. The right to possess a firearm as defined by the provisions of this Section
19 without registration is a nontransferable privilege afforded to the holder of a valid
20 lifetime concealed handgun permit. This privilege is not applicable to the holder of

1 a lifetime concealed handgun permit which has been revoked, suspended, or is
2 otherwise invalid.

3 D. The provisions of this Section shall not be construed to prohibit a person
4 from shooting a firearm while in the presence of, and with the permission of, the
5 holder of a valid lifetime concealed handgun permit.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes a lifetime concealed handgun permit holder to possess short barrel firearms without meeting federal registration requirements.

Present federal law requires that a person register certain firearms in accordance with Title 18 or Title 26 of the United States Code as applicable.

Proposed law provides that the holder of a lifetime concealed handgun permit may possess certain firearms without complying with the provisions of Titles 18 or 26 of the United States Code.

Proposed law defines "firearm" as including a shotgun having a barrel of less than eighteen inches in length, a rifle having a barrel of less than sixteen inches in length, or any weapon made from either a rifle or a shotgun if the weapon has been modified to have an overall length of less than twenty-six inches.

(Adds R.S. 40:1789.1)