

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 651 By Senator Allain

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

WEAPONS. Authorizes legislators and officers of the legislature to carry weapons under certain conditions. (gov sig)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Removes proposed law provisions that apply illegal carrying of a weapon on a school campus or a school bus in present law for active and retired law enforcement and active and retired judicial officers.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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Present law provides for the illegal carrying of weapons. Defines the crime and provides conditions and penalties.

Present law prohibits the intentional possession or use by any person of a dangerous weapon on a school campus during regular school hours or on a school bus. Defines "school", "campus", and "school bus". Provides the this prohibition does not apply to the following persons:

- (1) A peace officer in the performance of his official duties.
- (2) A school official or employee acting during the normal course of his employment or a student acting under the direction of a school official or employee.
- (3) A person having written permission of the principal or school board and engaged in competition or in marksmanship or safety instruction.

Present law provides that it does not prohibit active justices or judges of the supreme court, courts of appeal, district courts, parish courts, juvenile courts, family courts, city courts, federal courts domiciled in the state, and traffic courts, constables, coroners, district attorneys and designated assistant district attorneys, U.S. attorneys and assistant U.S. attorneys and investigators, and justices of the peace from possessing and concealing a handgun on their person when the justice or judge, constable, coroner, district attorneys and designated assistant district attorneys, U.S. attorneys and assistant U.S. attorneys and investigators, or justices of the peace are POST certified.

Proposed law does not prohibit a member or officer of either house of the legislature from possessing and concealing a handgun on his person provided that the legislator or officer is POST certified in the use of firearms.

Proposed law provides that the intentional possession or use of a dangerous weapon on a school campus during regular school hours or on a school bus as illegal carrying of a weapon applies to officials in the above two paragraphs

Provides that nothing in proposed law shall permit the carrying of a weapon in the state capitol building.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 14:95(H))

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