WEAPONS/HANDGUNS: Provides relative to the creation of an online handgun education course.

DIGEST

Proposed law shall be known and may be cited as the "Louisiana Firearm Safety Awareness Act".

Proposed law provides that the DPS&C, office of state police, shall provide a two-hour online handgun education course at no cost to La. residents.

Proposed law provides for the purpose of the online education course, and provides that the course is optional and shall not be a requirement for obtaining a concealed handgun permit under present law (R.S. 40:1379.3).

Proposed law provides that completion of the online education course shall not grant any person the right to carry a concealed handgun unless otherwise provided by law.

Proposed law provides that the online handgun education course shall cover all of the following topics:

1. Handgun basics and nomenclature.
2. Firearm-free zones.
3. Use of deadly force.
4. Interactions with law enforcement officers.
5. Conflict resolution.
6. Accident prevention.
7. Unauthorized access prevention.
8. Safe handling of a handgun.

Proposed law provides that state police shall maintain an online database of all licensed handgun and firearm instructors to allow the public to search for classes.

Proposed law provides that the content, structure, accessibility, and all other related matters of the online handgun education course shall be developed and promulgated by the DPS&C, office of state police, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Administrative Procedure Act.

Proposed law provides that the DPS&C, office of state police, shall divide the topics provided in proposed law into eight video segments that shall broadcast for no less than 15 minutes per segment.

(Adds R.S. 40:1379.3.3)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Makes technical changes.