## **RÉSUMÉ DIGEST**

## ACT 38 (SB 233) 2024 Regular Session

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Existing law permits an individual who is a qualified law enforcement officer or a retired law enforcement officer to carry a concealed firearm anywhere in the state, including any place open to the public, if he meets certain eligibility criteria.

New law retains existing law.

<u>New law</u> provides that a business organization cannot prohibit either a qualified active or retired law enforcement officer from carrying a concealed weapon in certain venues.

New law defines "business organization" and "venue".

<u>New law</u> provides that the attorney general has the authority to bring a civil action for violations of <u>new law</u> in addition to any other authority granted by the constitution and laws of this state.

<u>New law</u> provides that a business organization that violates <u>new law</u> will be assessed court costs, attorney's fees, and a civil fine of \$1,000 per occurrence to be paid to the Dept. of Justice for each violation of <u>new law</u>.

<u>Existing law</u> prohibits state officials from carrying concealed handguns in the state capitol building.

<u>New law</u> retains <u>existing law</u> but allows the attorney general, his La. Bureau of Investigation protective detail, and certain members of the legislature, to carry a concealed handgun in the state capitol building.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 14:95(H)(2); adds R.S. 40:1379.1.3(D),(E),(F) and (G) and 1379.1.4(F),(G),(H) and (I))