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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes a concealed handgun permit holder to carry a concealed handgun on the campus of a public postsecondary education institution and provides relative to authority of the Board of Regents and any postsecondary educational management board in this regard.

Present law (R.S. 40:1379.3) provides for the issuance of a concealed handgun permit for a person who meets certain eligibility and training requirements.

Present law provides that a concealed handgun permit does not authorize nor entitle the permit holder to carry a concealed handgun in certain places, including into a school, school campus, or a school bus.

Proposed law amends present law to provide that the prohibition on carrying a concealed handgun into any school, school campus, or school bus does not apply to the campus, or in any building or facility of the campus, of a public postsecondary education institution in this state.

Present law (R.S.14:95.2) prohibits the carrying of firearms on school property and provides for certain exceptions to this prohibition.

Proposed law adds an exception to this offense for a person who has a valid concealed handgun permit issued pursuant to present law who carries a concealed handgun on the campus, or in any building or facility on a campus, of a public postsecondary education institution in the state.

Present law provides for certain duties and responsibilities of the Board of Regents, postsecondary educational management boards, and public post secondary education institutions.

Proposed law adds to present law the following:

- (1) The Board of Regents shall not have the authority to enact a rule that prohibits a person permitted to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to present law from possessing a concealed handgun on the campus, or in any building or facility on the campus, of a public postsecondary education institution. Further, the Board of Regents shall not permit any employee of a public postsecondary education institution to interfere with the carrying of a firearm by a person permitted to carry a concealed handgun.
- (2) Any postsecondary educational management board or public postsecondary education institution shall not have the authority to enact a rule that prohibits a person permitted to

carry a concealed handgun pursuant to present law from possessing a concealed handgun on the campus, or in any building or facility on the campus, of a public postsecondary education institution. Further, such entities shall not permit any employee of an institution to interfere with the carrying of a firearm by a person permitted to carry a concealed handgun.

(Amends R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11); Adds R.S. 14:95.2(C)(9) and R.S. 17:3129.9 and 3351.21)