

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 48

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIGUEZ

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

WEAPONS/HANDGUNS: Provides relative to the requirements for concealed handgun permit safety and training course applicants and instructors

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1379.3(D)(2) and to enact R.S. 40:1379.3(D)(1)(j), relative
3 to concealed handgun permits; to provide relative to the required safety and training
4 for applicants; to provide relative to the certification of instructors of the required
5 safety and training courses; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1379.3(D)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
8 40:1379.3(D)(1)(j) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures;
10 definitions

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14 (j) Completion of any United States Concealed Carry Association handgun
15 safety or training course conducted by a United States Concealed Carry Association
16 certified instructor within the preceding twelve months.

17 (2)(a) Instructors for any class, training, or course of instruction authorized
18 by this Subsection, except for small arms training in military service as provided in
19 Subparagraph (1)(g) of this Subsection, shall be certified by ~~the~~ any of the following:

Present law further provides that the instructors for such courses and training shall be certified by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training as firearms instructors or by the National Rifle Association as instructors for Basic Pistol Shooting, Personal Protection in the Home, or Personal Protection Outside the Home.

Proposed law retains present law and provides for applicants to also complete any U.S. Concealed Carry Association handgun safety or training course conducted by a U.S. Concealed Carry Association certified instructor within the preceding 12 months.

Proposed law retains present law and provides alternative certification options for instructors including:

- (1) The National Rifle Association as a Carrying a Concealed Weapon instructor.
- (2) The National Rifle Association Law Enforcement Division as an instructor for courses involving the teaching of handguns.
- (3) The U.S. Concealed Carry Association as an instructor for Home Defense and Concealed Carry Fundamentals or Defensive Shooting Fundamentals.
- (4) The Federal Law Enforcement Training Center's Firearms Instructor Training Program or other federal agency firearms instructor course consisting of at least 40 hours of instruction.
- (5) Other instructor certification programs approved by the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections.

Present law provides that any safety or training course or class, except for basic handgun training in military service, shall include instruction in child access prevention.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that the applicant must demonstrate shooting proficiency and safe handling of a handgun.

(Amends R.S. 40:1379.3(D)(2); Adds R.S. 40:1379.3(D)(1)(j))