

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 8

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Provides an exception to the illegal carrying of weapons for certain persons

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95(H)(1), relative to carrying of weapons; to provide relative  
3 to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons; to provide for exceptions; and to provide  
4 for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:95(H)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §95. Illegal carrying of weapons

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9 H.(1) Except as provided in Paragraph (A)(5) of this Section and in  
10 Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, the provisions of this Section shall not prohibit  
11 active justices or judges of the supreme court, courts of appeal, district courts, parish  
12 courts, juvenile courts, family courts, city courts, federal courts domiciled in the state  
13 of Louisiana, and traffic courts, members of either house of the legislature, officers  
14 of either house of the legislature, the legislative auditor, designated investigative  
15 auditors, constables, coroners, designated coroner investigators, district attorneys and  
16 designated assistant district attorneys, United States attorneys and assistant United  
17 States attorneys and investigators, the attorney general, designated assistant attorneys  
18 general, city prosecutors, designated assistant city prosecutors, a United States  
19 congressman from Louisiana and his designee, a United States senator from  
20 Louisiana and his designee, and justices of the peace from possessing and concealing

1 a handgun on their person when such persons are qualified annually in the use of  
 2 firearms by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

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DIGEST

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HB 8 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Provides an exception to the illegal carrying of weapons for city prosecutors, designated assistant city prosecutors, a U.S. congressman from La. and his designee, and a U.S. senator from La. and his designee.

Present law provides that present law shall not prohibit certain active persons from possessing and concealing a handgun on their person when such persons are qualified annually in the use of firearms by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

Proposed law retains present law and adds city prosecutors, designated assistant city prosecutors, a U.S. congressman from La. and his designee, and a U.S. senator from La. and his designee to the list of certain active persons who are not prohibited from possessing and concealing a handgun when the person is qualified annually by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

(Amends R.S. 14:95(H)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Amend proposed law to change assistant city prosecutors to designated assistant city prosecutors.
2. Add a U.S. congressman from La. and his designee and a U.S. senator from La. and his designee to the present law list of persons who are not prohibited from possessing and concealing a handgun.