
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to the illegal carrying of weapons.

Present law (R.S. 14:95) provides for the crime of illegal carrying of weapons and provides for penalties and exceptions.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law (R.S. 14:95(A)) provides that the illegal carrying of weapons is any of the following:

- (1) The intentional concealment of any firearm, or other instrumentality customarily used or intended for probable use as a dangerous weapon, on one's person.
- (2) The ownership, possession, custody, or use of any firearm, or other instrumentality customarily used as a dangerous weapon, at any time by an enemy alien.
- (3) The ownership, possession, custody, or use of any tools, or dynamite, or nitroglycerine, or explosives, or other instrumentality customarily used by thieves or burglars at any time by any person with the intent to commit a crime.
- (4) The intentional possession or use by any person of a dangerous weapon on a school campus during regular school hours or on a school bus. "School" means any elementary, secondary, high school, or vo-tech school in this state and "campus" means all facilities and property within the boundary of the school property. "School bus" means any motor bus being used to transport children to and from school or in connection with school activities.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that the ownership, possession, custody, or use of any firearm or weapon in violation of present law (R.S. 40:1379.3(N)) constitutes the crime of illegal carrying of weapons.

Present law (R.S. 40:1379.3) provides for statewide permits for concealed handguns.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law (R.S. 40:1379.3(N)) provides for a list of locations where the carrying of a concealed handgun is prohibited.

Proposed law amends present law to provide that no person shall carry a weapon or firearm into a prohibited location, and no concealed handgun permit issued pursuant to present law shall authorize or entitle a permittee to carry a weapon, firearm, or concealed handgun in any of the listed prohibited locations unless authorized by law.

(Amends R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 14:95(A)(5))