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## DIGEST

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HB 67 Reengrossed

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Domangue

**Abstract:** Provides an exception to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons for certain individuals.

Present law provides certain exceptions to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons when such persons are qualified annually in the use of firearms by P.O.S.T.

Proposed law retains present law and adds parish presidents, mayor-presidents, the governor, the lieutenant governor, the secretary of state, the treasurer, the commissioner of agriculture, and the commissioner of insurance to the list of certain persons who are not prohibited from possessing and concealing a handgun when the person is qualified annually by P.O.S.T.

Proposed law further adds a former governor, former lieutenant governor, former secretary of state, former treasurer, former commissioner of agriculture, and former commissioner of insurance to the list of certain persons who are not prohibited from possessing and concealing a handgun when the person is qualified annually by P.O.S.T., and requires each of the listed former officials to provide valid identification showing proof of such status.

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

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Make technical changes.
2. Add the following individuals who, whether in active or former service, are exempt from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons if qualified annually in the use of firearms by P.O.S.T.:
  - (a) The governor.
  - (b) The lieutenant governor.
  - (c) The secretary of state.
  - (d) The treasurer.

- (e) The commissioner of agriculture.
  - (f) The commissioner of insurance.
3. Remove police jury presidents from the list of certain persons who are exempt from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons when qualified annually by P.O.S.T.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Require valid identification showing proof of an individual's status as a former governor, former lieutenant governor, former secretary of state, former treasurer, former commissioner of agriculture, or former commissioner of insurance in order for any of these individuals to be exempt from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons if qualified annually in the use of firearms by P.O.S.T.