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SENATE BILL 15-032

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING ALLOWING A LAW-ABIDING PERSON TO CARRY A
102	CONCEALED HANDGUN WITHOUT A PERMIT, AND, IN
103	CONNECTION THEREWITH, PRESERVING CURRENT LAWS
104	RESTRICTING THE CARRYING OF CONCEALED HANDGUNS ON
105	CERTAIN PROPERTY INCLUDING SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.</u>)

The bill allows a person who legally possesses a handgun under state and federal law to carry a concealed handgun in Colorado. A person

who carries a concealed handgun under the authority created in the bill has the same carrying rights and is subject to the same limitations that apply to a person who holds a permit to carry a concealed handgun under current law, including the prohibition on the carrying of a concealed handgun on the grounds of a public elementary, middle, junior high, or high school.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-105, amend
3	(2) (f); and add (2) (g) as follows:
4	18-12-105. Unlawfully carrying a concealed weapon - unlawful
5	possession of weapons. (2) It shall not be an offense if the defendant
6	was:
7	(f) A United States probation officer or a United States pretrial
8	services officer while on duty and serving in the state of Colorado under
9	the authority of rules and regulations promulgated by the judicial
10	conference of the United States; OR
11	(g) A PERSON WHO WAS AT LEAST TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE
12	AND LEGALLY POSSESSED A HANDGUN UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE
13	AND OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE WEAPON INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT
14	WAS A CONCEALED HANDGUN. THE AUTHORITY TO CARRY A CONCEALED
15	HANDGUN PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH (g) IS
16	EQUAL IN ALL RESPECTS TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY A PERMIT TO
17	CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 18-12-214. A
18	PERSON WHO CARRIES A CONCEALED HANDGUN PURSUANT TO THE
19	PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH (g) HAS THE SAME RIGHTS AND IS
20	SUBJECT TO THE SAME LIMITATIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 18-12-214 AS
21	APPLY TO A PERSON WHO HOLDS A PERMIT TO CARRY A CONCEALED
22	HANDGUN.

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SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-12-105.5, amend
 (3) (h); and add (3) (i) as follows:

3 18-12-105.5. Unlawfully carrying a weapon - unlawful
4 possession of weapons - school, college, or university grounds. (3) It
5 shall not be an offense under this section if:

6 (h) The person has possession of the weapon for use in an 7 educational program approved by a school which program includes, but 8 shall not be limited to, any course designed for the repair or maintenance 9 of weapons; OR

10 (i) THE PERSON IS AT LEAST TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE AND MAY 11 LEGALLY POSSESS A HANDGUN UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE AND OF 12 THE UNITED STATES AND THE WEAPON INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT WAS 13 A CONCEALED HANDGUN. THE AUTHORITY TO CARRY A CONCEALED 14 HANDGUN PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH (i) IS EQUAL 15 IN ALL RESPECTS TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY A PERMIT TO CARRY A 16 CONCEALED HANDGUN AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 18-12-214. A PERSON 17 WHO CARRIES A CONCEALED HANDGUN PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF 18 THIS PARAGRAPH (i) HAS THE SAME RIGHTS AND IS SUBJECT TO THE SAME 19 LIMITATIONS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 18-12-214 AS APPLY TO A PERSON WHO 20 HOLDS A PERMIT TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN.

SECTION 3. Effective date - applicability. This act takes effect
 upon passage and applies to offenses committed on or after said date.

23 SECTION 4. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
 24 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
 25 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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