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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12	D.(1)	
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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:	

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

1	(i) The Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training as a firearms
2	instructor <del>or by the</del> .
3	(ii) The National Rifle Association as an instructor for Basic Pistol Shooting,
4	Personal Protection in the Home, Carrying a Concealed Weapon, or Personal
5	Protection Outside the Home.
6	(iii) The National Rifle Association Law Enforcement Division as an
7	instructor for courses involving the teaching of handguns.
8	(iv) The United States Concealed Carry Association as an instructor for
9	Home Defense and Concealed Carry Fundamentals or Defensive Shooting
10	Fundamentals.
11	(v) The Federal Law Enforcement Training Center's Firearms Instructor
12	Training Program or other federal agency firearms instructor course consisting of at
13	least forty hours of instruction.
14	(vi) Other instructor certification programs approved by the Department of
15	Public Safety and Corrections.
16	(b) Any safety or training course or class as described in this Subsection,
17	except for basic handgun training in military service provided in Subparagraph $(1)(g)$
18	of this Subsection, shall include instruction in child access prevention, a
19	demonstration by the applicant of shooting proficiency, and safe handling of a
20	handgun.
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## DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides additional qualifications for obtaining a concealed handgun permit and an alternative means of certification for instructors who provide the required training and safety courses for concealed handgun permit applicants.

Present law provides for the issuance of a concealed handgun permit for Louisiana residents who meet certain requirements including the requirement that the applicant demonstrate competence with a handgun by completing certain training and safety courses.

<u>Present law</u> 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.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> 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.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> 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.

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

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> 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))