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2024 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 12

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BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK

WEAPONS/HANDGUNS: Provides relative to the concealed carrying of firearms (Item #18)

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95(M)(1) and (2) and R.S. 40:1379.3(B)(2)(a), to enact R.S.
3	14:95(N), and to repeal R.S. 14:95(M)(3), relative to the illegal carrying of weapons;
4	to exempt certain persons from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons; to provide
5	relative to concealed handgun permits; to provide relative to the authority of a person
6	to carry a concealed handgun without a permit; to provide for a restriction; and to
7	provide for related matters.
8	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
9	Section 1. R.S. 14:95(M)(1) and (2) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
0	14:95(N) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
1	§95. Illegal carrying of weapons
12	* * *
13	M. The provisions of Paragraph (A)(1) of this Section shall not apply to a
4	resident of Louisiana person if all of the following conditions are met:
15	(1) The person is twenty-one eighteen years of age or older.
16	(2) The person is not prohibited from possessing a firearm under R.S.
17	14:95.1, R.S. 40:1379.3(C)(5) through (17), 18 U.S.C. 922(g), or any other state or
18	federal law.
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1	N. Any person carrying a weapon pursuant to Subsection M of this Section
2	shall be subject to the restrictions contained in R.S. 40:1379.3(M) and (N).
3	Section 2. R.S. 40:1379.3(B)(2)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
4	follows:
5	§1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures;
6	definitions
7	* * *
8	В.
9	* * *
0	(2)(a) A Louisiana resident person who meets the qualifications of R.S.
1	14:95(M) shall not be required to possess a valid concealed handgun permit issued
12	by the state of Louisiana pursuant to the provisions of this Section in order to carry
13	a concealed handgun in the state of Louisiana. The provisions of this Paragraph shall
4	not affect the requirements of reciprocity as provided in Subsection T of this Section.
15	* * *
16	Section 3. R.S. 14:95(M)(3) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Exempts certain persons from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons and removes the requirement that a person possess a permit issued by the state of La. in order to carry a concealed handgun in the state of La.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 14:95) prohibits the carrying of a concealed firearm, provides for criminal penalties, and provides for certain exceptions to the offense.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to create an exception to this prohibition for a person located in La. who is 18 years of age or older and who is not prohibited from possessing a firearm under any federal or state law.

<u>Proposed law</u> (R.S. 14:95(N)) provides that any person carrying a weapon pursuant to <u>proposed law</u> (R.S. 14:95(M)) shall be subject to the restrictions contained in <u>present law</u> (R.S. 40:1379.3(M) and (N)).

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 40:1379.3) provides that La. residents who meet certain eligibility requirements may apply for and be issued a concealed handgun permit authorizing the

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person to carry a concealed handgun on his person in the state of La. Further requires the person to possess a valid concealed handgun permit issued by the state of La. in order to carry a concealed handgun in the state of La.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 40:1379.3(B)(2)(a)) provides that a La. resident who meets the qualifications of <u>present law</u> (R.S. 14:95(M)) shall not be required to possess a valid concealed handgun permit issued by the state of La. pursuant to <u>present law</u> in order to carry a concealed handgun in the state of La. Further provides that the provisions of <u>present law</u> shall not affect the requirements of reciprocity.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to provide that a person who meets the qualifications of <u>present law</u> (R.S. 14:95(M)) shall not be required to possess a valid concealed handgun permit issued by the state of La. pursuant to <u>present law</u> in order to carry a concealed handgun in the state of La.

(Amends R.S. 14:95(M)(1) and (2) and R.S. 40:1379.3(B)(2)(a); Adds R.S. 14:95(N); Repeals R.S. 14:95(M)(3))