

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 458

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 571, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the transportation and storage of firearms.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 571, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 571.517, to read as follows:

571.517. 1. Except as provided in subsection 4 of this section, a person who lawfully possesses a firearm may transport or store such firearm in a locked, privately owned motor vehicle in any parking lot, parking garage, or other designated parking area.

2. No property owner, tenant, public or private employer, or business entity, its agent, or employee shall be liable in any civil action for damages resulting from or arising out of an occurrence involving a firearm transported or stored under this section other than for a violation of subsection 3 of this section.

3. No property owner, tenant, public or private employer, or business entity shall prohibit any person from transporting or storing a firearm under subsection 1 of this section. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit an employer or business entity from adopting policies specifying that firearms stored in locked, privately owned motor vehicles on property controlled by the employer or business entity be hidden from plain view or within a locked case or container within the vehicle.

4. This section shall not apply to:

(1) A case in which the possession of the firearm is prohibited by federal or state law;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in bold-face type in the above bill is proposed language.

17 **(2) Any vehicle owned or leased by a public or private employer or business entity**
18 **and used by an employee in the course of his or her employment, except for those**
19 **employees who are required to transport or store a firearm in the official discharge of their**
20 **duties;**

21 **(3) Any vehicle on property controlled by a public or private employer or business**
22 **entity if access is restricted or limited through the use of a fence, gate, security station,**
23 **signage, or other means of restricting or limiting general public access onto the parking**
24 **area, and if one of the following conditions applies:**

25 **(a) The employer or business entity provides facilities for the temporary storage of**
26 **unloaded firearms;**

27 **(b) The employer or business entity provides an alternative parking area**
28 **reasonably close to the main parking area in which employees and other persons may**
29 **transport or store firearms in locked, privately owned motor vehicles.**

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