

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 944, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by
2 inserting after all of said line the following:

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4 "21.754. As the right to keep and bear arms is a fundamental right and notwithstanding any
5 law to the contrary, all firearm businesses shall be deemed essential businesses. The general
6 assembly hereby occupies and preempts the entire field of legislation that would prohibit, restrict, or
7 reduce the operation of a firearm business, including legislation or orders issued during a declared
8 state of emergency or disaster. Any existing or future orders, ordinances, or regulations that would
9 prohibit, restrict, or reduce the operation of a firearm business are hereby, and shall be, null and
10 void. Neither the state nor an official, agency, or political subdivision thereof shall issue or adopt
11 any order, ordinance, or regulation that would prohibit, restrict, or reduce the operation of a firearm
12 business. As used in this section, "firearm business" means any business engaged in the
13 manufacturing, distributing, selling, or training for the use of firearms or ammunition and shall
14 include shooting ranges."; and

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16 Further amend said bill, Page 6, Section 571.030, Line 184, by inserting after all of said line the
17 following:

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19 "571.517. 1. Except as provided in subsection 4 of this section, a person who lawfully
20 possesses a firearm may transport or store such firearm in a locked, privately owned motor vehicle
21 in any parking lot, parking garage, or other designated parking area. Nothing in this section shall be
22 construed to apply to a driveway located on residential private property.

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

27 3. No property owner, tenant, public or private employer, business entity, or business entity's
28 agent or employee shall prohibit any person from transporting or storing a firearm under subsection
29 1 of this section. However, nothing in this section shall prohibit an employer or business entity from
30 adopting policies specifying that firearms stored in locked, privately owned motor vehicles on
31 property controlled by the employer or business entity be hidden from plain view or within a locked
32 case or container within the vehicle, provided that no such policy shall require disclosing possession
33 of a firearm or seeking approval to possess a firearm.

34 4. This section shall not apply to:

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

36 (2) Any vehicle owned or leased by a public or private employer or business entity and used

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1 by an employee in the course of his or her employment, except for those employees who are
2 required to transport or store a firearm in the official discharge of their duties; and

3 (3) Any vehicle on property controlled by a public or private employer or business entity if
4 access is restricted or limited through the use of a fence, gate, security station, signage, or other
5 means of restricting or limiting general public access into the parking area, and if:

6 (a) The employer or business entity provides facilities for the temporary storage of unloaded
7 firearms; or

8 (b) The employer or business entity provides an alternative parking area reasonably close to
9 the main parking area in which employees and other persons may transport or store firearms in
10 locked, privately owned motor vehicles."; and

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12 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
13 accordingly.