1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION 2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 3 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019) 4 HOUSE BILL 1111 By: West (Kevin) of the House 5 and 6 Bergstrom of the Senate 7 8 9 AS INTRODUCED 10 An Act relating to firearms; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Sections 1272.1, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 and 1272.2, as amended by Section 3, 11 Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2018, 12 Sections 1272.1 and 1272.2), which relate to the carrying of firearms where liquor is consumed; 1.3 updating statutory references; modifying exception to include certain persons; defining term; modifying 14 scope of prohibited act; reducing and deleting certain penalties; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 15 1290.22, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 358, O.S.L. 2017 (21 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 1290.22), 16 which relates to business owners rights; expanding construing provision to include liquor stores; and 17 providing an effective date. 18 19 20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 2.1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1272.1, as 22 amended by Section 2, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2018, 23 Section 1272.1), is amended to read as follows: 24 Section 1272.1

CARRYING FIREARMS WHERE LIQUOR IS CONSUMED

- It shall be unlawful for any person to carry or possess any weapon designated in Section 1272 of this title in any establishment where low-point beer or alcoholic beverages, as defined by Section 163.2 of Title 37 1-103 of Title 37A of the Oklahoma Statutes, or alcoholic beverages, as defined by Section 506 of Title 37 of the Oklahoma Statutes, are consumed. This provision shall not apply to a peace officer, as defined in Section 99 of this title, or to private investigators with a firearms authorization when acting in the scope and course of employment, and. Further, this provision shall not apply to an owner or, proprietor or employee of the establishment having; provided, the employee has permission from the owner or proprietor of the establishment that the employee may have a pistol, rifle, or shotgun on the premises. Provided however, a person possessing a valid handgun license pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act may carry the concealed or unconcealed handgun into any restaurant or other establishment licensed to dispense low-point beer or alcoholic beverages where the sale of low-point beer or alcoholic beverages does not constitute the primary purpose of the business.
- B. Provided further, nothing Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to authorize any peace officer in actual physical possession of a weapon to consume low-point beer or alcoholic

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- <u>C.</u> Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to authorize any <u>person</u>, <u>employee or private investigator with or without a</u> firearms authorization in actual physical possession of a weapon to consume low-point beer or alcoholic beverages in any establishment where low-point beer or alcoholic beverages are consumed.
- B. D. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be punished as provided in Section 1272.2 of this title.
- E. As used in this section, "consume" means the act of drinking or ingesting alcoholic beverages or eating a product containing alcohol.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1272.2, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 1272.2), is amended to read as follows:
- 16 | Section 1272.2

PENALTY FOR FIREARM IN LIQUOR ESTABLISHMENT

Any person patron who intentionally or knowingly carries on his or her person any weapon in violation of Section 1272.1 of this title, and refuses to leave said property shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for a period not to exceed two (2)

years, or by both such fine and imprisonment Two Hundred Fifty
Dollars (\$250.00).

Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this section after having been issued a handgun license pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall have the license revoked by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation after a hearing and determination that the person is in violation of Section 1272.1 of this title.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.22, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 358, O.S.L. 2017 (21 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 1290.22), is amended to read as follows:

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BUSINESS OWNER'S RIGHTS

- A. Except as provided in subsections B, C and D of this section, nothing contained in any provision of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall be construed to limit, restrict or prohibit in any manner the existing rights of any person, property owner, tenant, employer, <u>liquor store</u>, place of worship or business entity to control the possession of weapons on any property owned or controlled by the person or business entity.
- B. No person, property owner, tenant, employer, <u>liquor store</u>, holder of an event permit, place of worship or business entity shall be permitted to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting any person, except a convicted felon, from transporting

- and storing firearms in a locked vehicle on any property set aside for any vehicle.
- C. A property owner, tenant, employer, <u>liquor store</u>, place of worship or business entity may prohibit any person from carrying a concealed or unconcealed firearm on the property. If the building or property is open to the public, the property owner, tenant, employer, <u>liquor store</u>, place of worship or business entity shall post signs on or about the property stating such prohibition.
- D. No person, property owner, tenant, employer, <u>liquor store</u>, holder of an event permit, place of worship or business entity shall be permitted to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting any person from carrying a concealed or unconcealed firearm on property within the specific exclusion provided for in paragraph 4 of subsection B of Section 1277 of this title; provided that carrying a concealed or unconcealed firearm may be prohibited in the following places:
- 1. The portion of a public property structure or building during an event authorized by the city, town, county, state or federal governmental authority owning or controlling such building or structure;
- 2. Any public property sports field, including any adjacent seating or adjacent area set aside for viewing a sporting event, where an elementary or secondary school, collegiate, or professional sporting event or an International Olympic Committee or organization

- or any committee subordinate to the International Olympic Committee event is being held;
 - 3. The fairgrounds during the Oklahoma State Fair or the Tulsa State Fair; and
 - 4. The portion of a public property structure or building that is leased or under contract to a business or not-for-profit entity or group for offices.
 - E. The carrying of a concealed or unconcealed firearm by a person who has been issued a handgun license on property that has signs prohibiting the carrying of firearms shall not be deemed a criminal act but may subject the person to being denied entrance onto the property or removed from the property. If the person refuses to leave the property and a peace officer is summoned, the person may be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).
 - F. A person, property owner, tenant, employer, <u>liquor store</u>, holder of an event permit, place of worship or business entity that does or does not prohibit any individual except a convicted felon from carrying a loaded or unloaded, concealed or unconcealed weapon on property that the person, property owner, tenant, employer, <u>liquor store</u>, holder of an event permit, place of worship or business entity owns, or has legal control of, is immune from any liability arising from that decision. Except for acts of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct, an employer who does or

1 does not prohibit their its employees from carrying a concealed or unconcealed weapon is immune from any liability arising from that 3 decision. A person, property owner, tenant, employer, liquor store, 4 holder of an event permit, place of worship or business entity that 5 does not prohibit persons from carrying a concealed or unconcealed weapon pursuant to subsection D of this section shall be immune from 6 7 any liability arising from the carrying of a concealed or unconcealed weapon, while in the scope of employment, on the 8 9 property or in or about a business entity vehicle. The provisions 10 of this subsection shall not apply to claims pursuant to the 11 Administrative Workers' Compensation Act.

- G. It shall not be considered part of an employee's job description or within the employee's scope of employment if an employee is allowed to carry or discharge a weapon pursuant to this section.
- H. Nothing in subsections F and G shall prevent an employer, employee or person who has suffered loss resulting from the discharge of a weapon to seek redress or damages of the person who discharged the weapon or used the weapon outside the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.
- 21 | SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, dated 02/14/2019 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.

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