1 ENGROSSED SENATE AMENDMENT TΟ ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2645 By: Echols, Davis, Roberts 3 (Sean), West (Kevin), Hardin (David), McDugle, 4 Steagall and Crosswhite Hader of the House 5 and 6 Bergstrom, Murdock, 7 Bullard, Hamilton and Stephens of the Senate 8 9 10 An Act relating to firearms; *** the carry of concealed firearms by municipal employees or municipal public officials *** transport requirements 11 for rifles and shotguns and exception to certain prohibited act *** the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act *** 12 requirement that the Department of Public Safety keep 1.3 a list of nonpermitting states for law enforcement reference *** declaring an emergency. 14 15 16 AUTHOR: Add the following House Coauthors: Bashore and Newton 17 18 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Page 1, strike the title, enacting clause and entire bill and insert 19 20 "An Act relating to amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 235, 2.1 O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1277), which relates to the unlawful carry of firearms in certain 22 places; prohibiting the carry of firearms on government property with minimum-security provisions; 23 describing minimum-security features; clarifying exemption that authorizes the possession of firearms 24 on certain property; authorizing concealed carry of

1 firearms on government property during permitted events that lack minimum-security provisions; 2 providing certain limitation; and declaring an emergency. 3 4 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 6 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as 7 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 235, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 8 2020, Section 1277), is amended to read as follows: 9 Section 1277. 10 UNLAWFUL CARRY IN CERTAIN PLACES 11 It shall be unlawful for any person, including a person in 12 possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the 13 provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry any concealed 14 or unconcealed handgun firearm into any of the following places: 15 1. Any structure, building, or office space which is owned or 16 leased by a city, town, county, state or federal governmental 17 authority for the purpose of conducting business with the public; 18 2. Any courthouse, courtroom, prison, jail, detention facility 19 or any facility used to process, hold or house arrested persons, 20 prisoners or persons alleged delinquent or adjudicated delinquent, 21 except as provided in Section 21 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma 22 Statutes: 23

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- 3. Any public or private elementary or public or private secondary school, except as provided in subsections C and D of this section;
- 4. Any publicly owned or operated sports arena or venue during a professional sporting event, unless allowed by the event holder;
- 5. Any place where gambling is authorized by law, unless allowed by the property owner; and
 - 6. Any other place specifically prohibited by law; and
- 7. Any property set aside by a county, city, town, public trust with a county, city or town as a beneficiary, or state governmental authority for an event that is secured with minimum-security provisions. For purposes of this paragraph, a minimum-security provision consists of a location that is secured utilizing the following:
 - a. a metallic-style security fence that is at least eight

 (8) feet in height that encompasses the property and

 is secured in such a way as to deter unauthorized

 entry,
 - b. controlled access points staffed by a uniformed, commissioned peace officer, and
 - a metal detector whereby persons walk or otherwise travel with their property through or by the metal detector.

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- B. For purposes of subsection A of this section, the prohibited place does not include and specifically excludes It shall be lawful for a person to carry a concealed or unconcealed firearm on the following property properties:
- Any property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, by a city, town, county, state or federal governmental authority;
- 2. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, which is open to the public, or by any entity engaged in gambling authorized by law;
- 3. Any property adjacent to a structure, building or office space in which concealed or unconcealed weapons are prohibited by the provisions of this section;
- 4. Any property designated by a city, town, county or state governmental authority as a park, recreational area, wildlife refuge, wildlife management area or fairgrounds; provided, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to authorize any entry by a person in possession of a concealed or unconcealed firearm into any structure, building or, office space or event which is specifically prohibited by the provisions of subsection A of this section; and
- 5. Any property set aside by a public or private elementary or secondary school for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended; provided, however, the firearm shall be

stored and hidden from view in a locked motor vehicle when the motor vehicle is left unattended on school property; and

6. Any public property set aside temporarily by a county, city, town, public trust with a county, city or town as a beneficiary, or state governmental authority for the holder of an event permit that is without minimum-security provisions, as such term is defined in paragraph 7 of subsection A of this section; provided, the carry of firearms within said permitted event area shall be limited to concealed carry of a handgun unless otherwise authorized by the holder of the event permit.

Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection or subsection C of this section shall be construed to authorize or allow any person in control of any place described in subsection A of this section to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a handgun license or otherwise in lawful possession of a firearm from carrying or possessing the firearm on the property described in this subsection.

C. A concealed or unconcealed weapon may be carried onto private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by any private school for transportation of students or teachers by a person who is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, provided a policy has been adopted by the governing entity of the private school that authorizes the carrying and possession of a weapon on private school property or in any school bus or vehicle

- used by a private school. Except for acts of gross negligence or

 willful or wanton misconduct, a governing entity of a private school

 that adopts a policy which authorizes the possession of a weapon on

 private school property, a school bus or vehicle used by the private

 school shall not be immune from subject to liability for any

 injuries arising from the adoption of the policy. The provisions of

 this subsection shall not apply to claims pursuant to the

 Administrative Workers' Compensation Act.
 - D. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section, a board of education of a school district may adopt a policy pursuant to Section 5-149.2 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes to authorize the carrying of a handgun onto school property by school personnel specifically designated by the board of education, provided such personnel either:
 - 1. Possess a valid armed security guard license as provided for in Section 1750.1 et seq. of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or
 - 2. Hold a valid reserve peace officer certification as provided for in Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
 - Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to restrict authority granted elsewhere in law to carry firearms.
 - E. In Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A of this section, on any property designated as a municipal zoo or park of any size that is owned, leased, operated or managed by:

- 1. A public trust created pursuant to the provisions of Section 176 of Title 60 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or
 - 2. A nonprofit entity,
- an individual shall be allowed to carry a concealed handgun but not openly carry a handgun on the property.
- F. Any person violating the provisions of paragraph 2 or 3 of subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). A person violating any other provision of subsection A of this section may be 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).
- G. No person in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or who is carrying or in possession of a firearm as otherwise permitted by law or who is carrying or in possession of a machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles shall be authorized to carry the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles into or upon any college, university or technology center school property, except as provided in this subsection. For purposes of this subsection, the following property shall not be

construed to be college, university or technology center school property:

- 1. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any motor vehicle, whether attended or unattended, provided the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles are carried or stored as required by law and the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles are not removed from the motor vehicle without the prior consent of the college or university president or technology center school administrator while the vehicle is on any college, university or technology center school property;
- 2. Any property authorized for possession or use of firearms, machetes, blackjacks, loaded canes, hand chains or metal knuckles by college, university or technology center school policy; and
- 3. Any property authorized by the written consent of the college or university president or technology center school administrator, provided the written consent is carried with the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles and the valid handgun license while on college, university or technology center school property.

The college, university or technology center school may notify the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation within ten (10) days of a violation of any provision of this subsection by a licensee. Upon receipt of a written notification of violation, the Bureau shall

- give a reasonable notice to the licensee and hold a hearing. At the hearing, upon a determination that the licensee has violated any provision of this subsection, the licensee may be subject to an administrative fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may have the handgun license suspended for three (3) months.
 - Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection shall be construed to authorize or allow any college, university or technology center school to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a handgun license or any person in lawful possession of a firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles from possession of a firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles in places described in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this subsection. Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection shall be construed to limit the authority of any college, university or technology center school in this state from taking administrative action against any student for any violation of any provision of this subsection.
 - H. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the following:
 - Any peace officer or any person authorized by law to carry a firearm in the course of employment;
- 23 2. District judges, associate district judges and special district judges, who are in possession of a valid handgun license

- issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act
 and whose names appear on a list maintained by the Administrative

 Director of the Courts, when acting in the course and scope of
 employment within the courthouses of this state;
 - 3. Private investigators with a firearms authorization when acting in the course and scope of employment;

- 4. Elected officials of a county, who are in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, may carry a concealed handgun when acting in the performance of their his or her duties within the courthouses of the county in which he or she was elected. The provisions of this paragraph shall not allow the elected county official to carry the handgun into a courtroom;
- 5. The sheriff of any county may authorize certain employees of the county, who possess a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry a concealed handgun when acting in the course and scope of employment within the courthouses courthouse in the county in which the person is employed. Nothing in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall prohibit the sheriff from requiring additional instruction or training before receiving granting authorization to carry a concealed handgun within the courthouse. The provisions of this paragraph and of paragraph 6 of this subsection shall not allow the county employee to carry the handgun into a courtroom, sheriff's

office, adult or juvenile jail or any other prisoner detention area;
and

- 6. The board of county commissioners of any county may authorize certain employees of the county, who possess a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry a concealed handgun when acting in the course and scope of employment on county annex facilities or grounds surrounding the county courthouse.
- I. For the purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, minivan, sports utility vehicle, or motorcycle, as defined in Section 1-135 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, equipped with a locked accessory container within or affixed to the motorcycle.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval."

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By: Echols, Davis, Roberts (Sean), West (Kevin), Hardin (David), McDugle, Steagall and Crosswhite Hader of the House

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Bergstrom, Murdock, Bullard, Hamilton and Stephens of the Senate

An Act relating to firearms; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1272, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1272), which relates to the unlawful carry of firearms; clarifying manner by which firearms may be transported on public roadways; 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, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Sections 1272.1 and 1272.2), which relate to carrying firearms where liquor is consumed; updating statutory citations; modifying exception to include employees of establishments and armed security quards; authorizing the carrying and possession of weapons into restaurants and certain establishments; providing penalty; making certain acts unlawful; providing penalty; defining term; modifying scope of certain prohibited act; reducing and deleting certain penalties; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 235, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1277), which relates to the unlawful carry of firearms in certain places; deleting reference to certain governmental authority; prohibiting the carry of firearms on government property with minimum-security provisions; describing minimum-security features; clarifying exemption that authorizes the possession of firearms on certain property; authorizing concealed carry of firearms on government property during permitted events that lack minimum-security provisions; providing certain limitation; authorizing open carry of firearms on

1 property of nonprofit entities and public trusts with permission; authorizing municipalities to allow for 2 the carry of concealed firearms by municipal employees or municipal public officials; providing 3 eligibility requirements; stating manner in which firearms shall be carried and stored; providing 4 exemption from liability under certain circumstances; prohibiting the carrying of firearms at certain 5 locations; providing penalty; defining term; providing construing provision related to the carrying of firearms by municipal employees or 6 municipal public officials; amending 21 O.S. 2011, 7 Section 1280.1, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 310, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1280.1), which relates to possessing firearms on 8 school property; modifying circumstances that 9 authorize the carry of firearms and weapons on school property; clarifying liability clause; amending 21 10 O.S. 2011, Sections 1289.2, 1289.7, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019, 1289.13A, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 and 11 1289.24, as last amended by Section 8, Chapter 1, 12 O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Sections 1289.7, 1289.13A and 1289.24), which relate to the Oklahoma 13 Firearms Act of 1971; modifying scope of legislative findings related to the use of firearms; stating 14 manner in which loaded and unloaded firearms may be transported in vehicles; deleting transport 15 requirements for rifles and shotguns and exception to certain prohibited act; modifying scope of certain prohibited act; providing for the return of 16 ammunition under certain circumstances; clarifying 17 certain preemption provision and certain mandate; specifying circumstances which authorize the filing 18 of civil actions against certain persons and entities; providing for the award of reasonable 19 expenses under specific conditions; defining term; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Sections 1290.2, as last 20 amended by Section 4, Chapter 63, O.S.L. 2019, 1290.4, as amended by Section 25, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 21 2012, 1290.6, as amended by Section 27, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012, 1290.7, as last amended by Section 10, 22 Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019, 1290.8, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 406, O.S.L. 2019, 1290.22, as last 23 amended by Section 12, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019, 1290.24, as last amended by Section 13, Chapter 1, 24 O.S.L. 2019, 1290.25, as amended by Section 43,

1 Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 and 1290.26, as last amended by Section 4, Chapter 298, O.S.L. 2017 (21 O.S. Supp. 2 2020, Sections 1290.2, 1290.4, 1290.6, 1290.7, 1290.8, 1290.22, 1290.24, 1290.25 and 1290.26), which 3 relate to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act; clarifying definitions and updating statutory citations; 4 removing references to handguns; defining terms; specifying persons authorized to lawfully carry or 5 transport firearms; modifying scope of certain prohibited act; clarifying construing provisions related to the carrying of firearms; providing 6 statutory references; specifying conditions that 7 allow for the carry of firearms in this state; requiring possession of certain license or identification when carrying or possessing a firearm 8 while scouting; requiring possession of certain 9 license or identification card when possessing a firearm; allowing certain documents to be displayed 10 when demanded by law enforcement; allowing certain licenses or identification cards to be offered as 11 proof; modifying elements of certain prohibited act; expanding scope of business owner's rights to include 12 liquor stores; providing penalty; modifying legislative intent regarding the issuance of 1.3 licenses; clarifying reciprocity requirements of the state; requiring persons to disclose possession of 14 firearm upon request of law enforcement; removing requirement that the Department of Public Safety keep 15 a list of nonpermitting states for law enforcement reference; repealing 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.13, 16 as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1289.13), which relates 17 to the improper transportation of firearms; and declaring an emergency.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

22 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1272, as

23 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp.

2020, Section 1272), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1272.

UNLAWFUL CARRY

- A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall be unlawful for any person to carry upon or about his or her person, or in a purse or other container belonging to the person, any pistol, revolver, shotgun or rifle, whether loaded or unloaded, or any blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, metal knuckles, or any other offensive weapon, whether such weapon be concealed or unconcealed, except this section shall not prohibit:
- 1. The proper use of guns and knives for self-defense, hunting, fishing, educational or recreational purposes;
- 2. The carrying or use of weapons in a manner otherwise permitted by statute or authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act;
- 3. The carrying, possession and use of any weapon by a peace officer or other person authorized by law to carry a weapon in the performance of official duties and in compliance with the rules of the employing agency;
- 4. The carrying or use of weapons in a courthouse by a district judge, associate district judge or special district judge within this state, who is in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and whose name appears on a list maintained by the Administrative Director of the Courts;

- 5. The carrying and use of firearms and other weapons provided in this subsection when used for the purpose of living history reenactment. For purposes of this paragraph, "living history reenactment" means depiction of historical characters, scenes, historical life or events for entertainment, education, or historical documentation through the wearing or use of period, historical, antique or vintage clothing, accessories, firearms, weapons, and other implements of the historical period; or
- 6. The transporting by vehicle on a public roadway or the carrying of a firearm, concealed or unconcealed, loaded or unloaded, by a person who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older or by a person who is eighteen (18) years of age but not yet twenty-one (21) years of age and the person is a member or veteran of the United States Armed Forces, Reserves or National Guard or was discharged under honorable conditions from the United States Armed Forces, Reserves or National Guard, and the person is otherwise not disqualified from the possession or purchase of a firearm under state or federal law and is not carrying the firearm in furtherance of a crime.

Except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this title, a person who has been convicted of any one of the following offenses in this state or a violation of the equivalent law of another state:

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- a. assault and battery pursuant to the provisions of Section 644 of this title which caused serious physical injury to the victim,
- b. aggravated assault and battery pursuant to the provisions of Section 646 of this title,
- c. assault and battery that qualifies as domestic abuse as defined in Section 644 of this title,
- d. stalking pursuant to the provisions of Section 1173 of this title,
- e. a violation of an order issued under the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act or a domestic abuse protection order issued by another state, or
- f. a violation relating to illegal drug use or possession under the provisions of the Uniform Controlled

 Dangerous Substances Act,

shall be prohibited from carrying a firearm under the provisions of this paragraph. Any person who carries a firearm in the manner provided for in this paragraph shall be prohibited from carrying the firearm into any of the places prohibited in subsection A of Section 1277 of this title or any other place currently prohibited by law. Nothing in this section shall modify or otherwise change where a person may legally carry a firearm.

B. Any person convicted of violating the foregoing provision
shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in Section
1276 of this title.

SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1272.1, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1272.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1272.1

CARRYING FIREARMS WHERE LIQUOR IS CONSUMED

- A. It shall be unlawful for any a person to carry or possess any weapon designated in Section 1272 of this title in any establishment where low-point beer the sale of alcoholic beverages, as defined by Section 163.2 1-103 of Title 37 37A of the Oklahoma Statutes, or alcoholic beverages, as defined by Section 506 of Title 37 of the Oklahoma Statutes, are consumed constitutes the primary purpose of the business. This provision shall not apply to a:
- 1. A peace officer, as defined in Section 99 of this title, or to private investigators investigator or armed security guard with a firearms authorization when acting in the scope and course of employment, and shall not apply to an;
- 2. An owner or proprietor of the establishment having a pistol, rifle, or shotgun on the premises. Provided however,; or
- 3. An employee of the establishment who has permission from the owner or proprietor of the establishment to carry or possess a weapon while in the scope and course of employment.

B. It shall be lawful for a person possessing a valid handgun 2 license pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act 3 4 5

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may to carry the concealed or unconcealed handgun or possess any weapon designated in Section 1272 of this title 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.

Provided further, nothing C. 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 beverages, except in the authorized line of duty as an undercover officer.

- D. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to authorize any person, employee, private investigator or armed security guard with or without a 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. E. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be punished as provided in Section 1272.2 of this title guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).
- F. Any person who intentionally or knowingly carries or possesses any weapon in violation of the provisions of this section

- and refuses to leave the establishment or the property of the

 establishment shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor

 punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars
- punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars
- 4 (\$250.00).
- G. As used in this section, "consume" means the act of drinking or ingesting alcoholic beverages or eating a product containing
- 7 <u>alcohol.</u>
- 8 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1272.2, as
- 9 amended by Section 3, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020,
- 10 | Section 1272.2), is amended to read as follows:
- 11 | Section 1272.2
- 12 PENALTY FOR FIREARM IN LIQUOR ESTABLISHMENT
- Any person patron who intentionally or knowingly carries on his
- 14 or her person any weapon in violation of Section 1272.1 of this
- 15 title, and refuses to leave said property shall, upon conviction, be
- 16 guilty of a felony misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed
- 17 One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or imprisonment in the custody of
- 18 | the Department of Corrections for a period not to exceed two (2)
- 19 years, or by both such fine and imprisonment Two Hundred Fifty
- 20 <u>Dollars (\$250.00)</u>.
- 21 Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this section
- 22 after having been issued a handgun license pursuant to the
- 23 | provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall have the license
- 24 | revoked by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation after a

- 1 hearing and determination that the person is in violation of Section
- 2 | 1272.1 of this title.
- 3 | SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as
- 4 | last amended by Section 1, Chapter 235, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp.
- 5 2020, Section 1277), is amended to read as follows:
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UNLAWFUL CARRY IN CERTAIN PLACES

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person, including a person in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry any concealed or unconcealed handgun firearm into any of the following places:
- 1. Any structure, building, or office space which is owned or leased by a city, town, county, or state or federal governmental authority for the purpose of conducting business with the public;
- 2. Any courthouse, courtroom, prison, jail, detention facility or any facility used to process, hold or house arrested persons, prisoners or persons alleged delinquent or adjudicated delinquent, except as provided in Section 21 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 3. Any public or private elementary or public or private secondary school, except as provided in subsections C and D of this section;
- 4. Any publicly owned or operated sports arena or venue during a professional sporting event, unless allowed by the event holder;

- 5. Any place where gambling is authorized by law, unless allowed by the property owner; and
 - 6. Any other place specifically prohibited by law; and
- 7. Any property set aside by a county, city, town, public trust with a county, city or town as a beneficiary, or state governmental authority for an event that is secured with minimum-security provisions. For purposes of this paragraph, a minimum-security provision consists of a location that is secured utilizing the following:
 - a. a metallic-style security fence that is at least eight

 (8) feet in height that encompasses the property and

 is secured in such a way as to deter unauthorized

 entry,
 - b. controlled access points staffed by a uniformed, commissioned peace officer, and
 - <u>a metal detector whereby persons walk or otherwise</u>
 <u>travel with their property through or by the metal</u>
 detector.
- B. For purposes of subsection A of this section, the prohibited place does not include and specifically excludes It shall be lawful for a person to carry a concealed or unconcealed firearm on the following property properties:

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- 1. Any <u>public</u> property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, by a city, town, county, state or federal governmental authority;
- 2. Any <u>public</u> property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, which is open to the public, or by any entity engaged in gambling authorized by law;
- 3. Any <u>public</u> property adjacent to a structure, building or office space in which concealed or unconcealed weapons are prohibited by the provisions of this section;
- 4. Any <u>public</u> property designated by <u>statute</u>, <u>ordinance</u>, <u>resolution</u>, <u>policy or use by</u> a city, town, county or state governmental authority as a <u>street</u>, <u>plaza</u>, <u>sidewalk</u>, <u>alley</u>, <u>park</u>, recreational area, wildlife refuge, wildlife management area or fairgrounds; provided, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to authorize any entry by a person in possession of a concealed or unconcealed firearm into any structure, building <u>or</u>, office space <u>or event</u> which is specifically prohibited by the provisions of subsection A of this section; <u>and</u>
- 5. Any property set aside by a public or private elementary or secondary school for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended; provided, however, the firearm shall be stored and hidden from view in a locked motor vehicle when the motor vehicle is left unattended on school property; and

6. Any public property set aside temporarily by a county, city, town, public trust with a county, city or town as a beneficiary, or state governmental authority for the holder of an event permit that is without minimum-security provisions, as such term is defined in paragraph 7 of subsection A of this section; provided, the carry of firearms within said permitted event area shall be limited to concealed carry of a handgun unless otherwise authorized by the holder of the event permit.

Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection or subsection C of this section shall be construed to authorize or allow any person in control of any place described in subsection A of this section to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a handgun license or otherwise in lawful possession of a firearm from carrying or possessing the firearm on the property described in this subsection.

C. A concealed or unconcealed weapon may be carried onto private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by any private school for transportation of students or teachers by a person who is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, provided a policy has been adopted by the governing entity of the private school that authorizes the carrying and possession of a weapon on private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by a private school. Except for acts of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct, a governing entity of a private school

- 1 | that adopts a policy which authorizes the possession of a weapon on
- 2 | private school property, a school bus or vehicle used by the private
- 3 | school shall not be immune from subject to liability for any
- 4 | injuries arising from the adoption of the policy. The provisions of
- 5 | this subsection shall not apply to claims pursuant to the
- 6 Administrative Workers' Compensation Act.
- 7 D. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section,
- 8 | a board of education of a school district may adopt a policy
- 9 pursuant to Section 5-149.2 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes to
- 10 authorize the carrying of a handgun onto school property by school
- 11 | personnel specifically designated by the board of education,
- 12 provided such personnel either:
- 13 | 1. Possess a valid armed security guard license as provided for
- 14 in Section 1750.1 et seq. of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or
- 15 2. Hold a valid reserve peace officer certification as provided
- 16 | for in Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- 17 | Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to restrict authority
- 18 | granted elsewhere in law to carry firearms.
- 19 E. In Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A of this
- 20 section, on any property designated by a municipality by statute,
- 21 ordinance, resolution, policy or use as a municipal zoo or park of
- 22 any size that is owned, leased, operated or managed by:
- 1. A public trust created pursuant to the provisions of Section
- 24 | 176 of Title 60 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or

1 2. A nonprofit entity, an individual shall be allowed to carry a concealed handgun but not openly carry a handgun on the property; provided, however, an individual may openly carry a firearm on the property with

permission from the public trust or nonprofit entity.

- 6 F. Any person violating the provisions of paragraph 2 or 3 of 7 subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty 8 9 Dollars (\$250.00). A person violating any other provision of 10 subsection A of this section may be denied entrance onto the 11 property or removed from the property. If the person refuses to 12 leave the property and a peace officer is summoned, the person may 13 be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty
 - G. No person in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or who is carrying or in possession of a firearm as otherwise permitted by law or who is carrying or in possession of a machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles shall be authorized to carry the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles into or upon any college, university or technology center school property, except as provided in this subsection. For purposes of this subsection, the following property shall not be

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- construed to be college, university or technology center school property:
- 1. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any motor vehicle, whether attended or unattended, provided the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles are carried or stored as required by law and the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles are not removed from the motor vehicle without the prior consent of the college or university president or technology center school administrator while the vehicle is on any college, university or technology center school property;
- 2. Any property authorized for possession or use of firearms, machetes, blackjacks, loaded canes, hand chains or metal knuckles by college, university or technology center school policy; and
- 3. Any property authorized by the written consent of the college or university president or technology center school administrator, provided the written consent is carried with the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles and the valid handgun license while on college, university or technology center school property.

The college, university or technology center school may notify the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation within ten (10) days of a violation of any provision of this subsection by a licensee. Upon receipt of a written notification of violation, the Bureau shall

- give a reasonable notice to the licensee and hold a hearing. At the hearing, upon a determination that the licensee has violated any provision of this subsection, the licensee may be subject to an administrative fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may have the handgun license suspended for three (3) months.
 - Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection shall be construed to authorize or allow any college, university or technology center school to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a handgun license or any person in lawful possession of a firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles from possession of a firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain or metal knuckles in places described in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this subsection. Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection shall be construed to limit the authority of any college, university or technology center school in this state from taking administrative action against any student for any violation of any provision of this subsection.
 - H. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the following:
 - Any peace officer or any person authorized by law to carry a firearm in the course of employment;
 - 2. District judges, associate district judges and special district judges, who are in possession of a valid handgun license

- issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and whose names appear on a list maintained by the Administrative Director of the Courts, when acting in the course and scope of employment within the courthouses of this state;
 - 3. Private investigators with a firearms authorization when acting in the course and scope of employment;
 - 4. Elected officials Any elected official of a county, who are is in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, may carry a concealed handgun when acting in the performance of their his or her duties within the courthouses courthouse of the county in which he or she was elected. The provisions of this paragraph shall not allow the elected county official to carry the handgun into a courtroom;
 - 5. The sheriff of any county may authorize certain employees of the county, who possess a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry a concealed handgun when acting in the course and scope of employment within the courthouses courthouse in the county in which the person is employed. Nothing in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall prohibit the sheriff from requiring additional instruction or training before receiving granting authorization to carry a concealed handgun within the courthouse. The provisions of this paragraph and of paragraph 6 of this subsection shall not allow the county employee to carry the handgun into a courtroom, sheriff's

- office, adult or juvenile jail or any other prisoner detention area;
 and
 - 6. The board of county commissioners of any county may authorize certain employees of the county, who possess a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry a concealed handgun when acting in the course and scope of employment on county annex facilities or grounds surrounding the county courthouse.
 - I. 1. Municipalities may, by ordinance or resolution,
 authorize all or certain municipal employees or municipal public
 officials to carry concealed firearms, as defined in Section 1290.2
 of this title, for their personal protection according to the terms
 and conditions outlined in this subsection. To be eligible to carry
 a concealed firearm while working and employed on municipal
 property, the employee or official must have been issued a valid
 handgun license pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma SelfDefense Act.
 - 2. Carrying a firearm as authorized in this subsection shall not in any way be considered a requirement for continued employment with the municipality.
 - 3. When carrying a firearm pursuant to this subsection, the employee or official shall at all times carry the firearm on his or her person or the firearm shall be stored in a locked and secured location which is permanently affixed or tethered at the storage

- site at the expense of the employee or official and with permission

 of the governing body. The municipality shall not be liable for any

 loss, damage or injuries that occur in relation to or caused by the

 possession or storage of a firearm under the provisions of this

 subsection.
 - 4. Any municipal employee or municipal public official authorized to carry a firearm under the provisions of this subsection, while acting in a reasonable and prudent manner, shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability for any injury resulting from the carrying, accidental discharge or intentional discharge of a firearm on municipal property as provided in this subsection. Any municipality, whose authorized employee or public official is acting in a reasonable and prudent manner, shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability or other suit at law or in equity resulting from any injury, act, failure to act or refusal to act committed by a municipal employee or municipal public official who carries, accidentally discharges or intentionally discharges a handgun on municipal property as authorized by this subsection.
 - 5. For purposes of this subsection, firearms may only be carried by a municipal employee or municipal public official as authorized by ordinance or resolution, unless the location is a firearm-prohibited location. In addition to any employment disciplinary actions, any person who violates the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the penalties provided for in

subsection F of this section. As used in this paragraph, "firearm-prohibited location" shall include the following locations:

- a. any room, location or other public place where public meetings or other meetings governed by the Oklahoma

 Open Meeting Act occur, unless specifically authorized by municipal ordinance or resolution,
- b. any room, location or other place on municipally owned, leased or maintained property designated as a firearm-prohibited location by the municipal government, and
- any police department, courthouse, courtroom, prison, jail, detention facility or any facility used to process, hold or house arrested persons, prisoners or persons alleged delinquent or adjudicated delinquent.
- 6. Nothing in this subsection should be construed as a mechanism to allow municipal employees or municipal public officials to carry a firearm as a duty or function of their employment with the municipality. Any act concerning the carrying of a firearm, a refusal or failure to act with a firearm or the accidental or intentional discharge of a firearm shall be considered taken on the personal behalf of the municipal employee or municipal public official and not on behalf of the municipality and shall not be considered an act performed within the scope of duties of the

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- employee or municipal public official nor shall it be construed as an act by the municipality or any employee or official thereof.
- J. For the purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, minivan, sports utility vehicle, or motorcycle, as defined in Section 1-135 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, equipped with a locked accessory container within or affixed to the motorcycle.
- SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1280.1, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 310, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1280.1), is amended to read as follows:
- 11 | Section 1280.1

POSSESSION OF FIREARM ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his or her possession on any public or private school property or while in any school bus or vehicle used by any school for transportation of students or teachers any firearm or weapon designated in Section 1272 of this title, except as provided in subsection C of this section or as otherwise authorized by law.
 - B. For purposes of this section:
- 1. "School property" means any publicly owned property held for purposes of elementary, secondary or vocational-technical education, and shall not include property owned by public school districts or where such property is leased or rented to an individual or corporation and used for purposes other than educational;

- 2. "Private school" means a school that offers a course of instruction for students in one or more grades from prekindergarten through grade twelve and is not operated by a governmental entity; and
- 3. "Motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, minivan or sports utility vehicle.
- C. Firearms and weapons are allowed on school property and deemed not in violation of subsection A of this section as follows:
- 1. A gun firearm or knife designed for self-defense or for hunting or fishing purposes kept in a privately owned vehicle and properly displayed or stored as required by law, provided such vehicle containing said gun or knife is driven onto school property only to transport a student to and from school and such vehicle does not remain unattended on school property;
- 2. A gun firearm or knife used for the purposes of participating in the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation certified hunter training education course or any other hunting, fishing, safety or firearms training courses, or a recognized firearms sports event, team shooting program or competition, or living history reenactment, provided the course or event is approved by the principal or chief administrator of the school where the course or event is offered, and provided the firearm or weapon is properly displayed or stored as required by law pending participation in the course, event, program or competition;

- 3. Weapons Firearms or weapons in the possession of any peace officer or other person authorized by law to possess a weapon in the performance of his or her duties and responsibilities;
- 4. A concealed or unconcealed weapon carried onto private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by any private school for transportation of students or teachers by a person who is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, provided a policy has been adopted by the governing entity of the private school that authorizes the possession of a weapon on private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by a private school. Except for acts of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct, a governing entity of a private school that adopts a policy which authorizes the possession of a weapon on private school property, a school bus or vehicle used by the private school shall not be immune from subject to liability for any injuries arising from the adoption of the policy. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to claims pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Code;
- 5. A gun firearm, knife, bayonet or other weapon in the possession of a member of a veterans group, the National Guard, active military, the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) or Junior ROTC, in order to participate in a ceremony, assembly or educational program approved by the principal or chief administrator of a school or school district where the ceremony, assembly or educational program is being held; provided, however, the gun

- <u>firearm</u> or other weapon that uses projectiles is not loaded and is inoperable at all times while on school property;
- 6. A handgun firearm carried in a motor vehicle pursuant to a valid handgun license authorized by the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act onto property set aside by a public or private elementary or secondary school for the use or parking of any vehicle; provided, however, said handgun firearm shall be stored and hidden from view in a locked motor vehicle when the motor vehicle is left unattended on school property; and
- 7. A handgun carried onto public school property by school personnel who have been designated by the board of education, provided such personnel either:
 - a. possess a valid armed security guard license as provided for in Section 1750.1 et seq. of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or
 - b. hold a valid reserve peace officer certification as provided for in Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
- if a policy has been adopted by the board of education of the school district that authorizes the carrying of a handgun onto public school property by such personnel. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to restrict authority granted elsewhere in law to carry firearms.

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1 D. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall, 2 upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). 3 AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.2, is 4 SECTION 8. amended to read as follows: 5 6 Section 1289.2 7 LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS FOR FIREARMS ACT The Legislature finds as a matter of public policy and fact that 8 it is necessary for the safe and lawful use of firearms to curb and 10 prevent crime wherein weapons are used by enacting legislation 11 having the purpose of controlling the use of firearms, and of 12 prevention of their use, without unnecessarily denying their lawful 13 use in defense of an individual citizen's life, defense of a private 14 home and or personal, business or real property, and their use by 15 the United States or state military organizations, law enforcement 16 agencies and other agencies as may otherwise be provided by law, 17 including their use and the transportation for of firearms, is a 18 lawful purposes purpose. 19 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.7, as 20 last amended by Section 5, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 21 2020, Section 1289.7), is amended to read as follows: 22 Section 1289.7 23 FIREARMS IN VEHICLES

- A. Any person who is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing or purchasing a firearm and is not carrying or transporting a firearm in the furtherance of a crime may transport in or on a motor vehicle a pistol or handgun firearm, loaded or unloaded, at any time.
- B. Any person who is eighteen (18) to twenty (20) years of age and is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing or purchasing a firearm and is not carrying or transporting a firearm in furtherance of a crime may transport in or on a motor vehicle a rifle or shotgun open or concealed, provided the rifle or shotgun is transported pursuant to the requirements of Section 1289.13 of this title an unloaded firearm, open or concealed, at any time.
- passenger in any motor vehicle wherein another person who is
 licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or is otherwise
 permitted by law to carry a handgun, concealed or unconcealed, and
 is carrying a handgun or has the handgun in such vehicle, shall not
 be deemed in violation of the provisions of this section provided
 the licensee or person permitted by law is in or near the motor
 vehicle.
- D. It shall be unlawful for any person transporting a firearm in a motor vehicle to fail or refuse to identify that the person is in actual possession of a firearm when asked instructed to do so by a law enforcement officer of this state during any arrest,

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- detainment or routine traffic stop. Any person who violates the provisions of this subsection may be issued a citation for an amount
- 3 | not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).
- 4 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.13A,
- 5 as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp.
- 6 2020, Section 1289.13A), is amended to read as follows:
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IMPROPER TRANSPORTATION OF FIREARMS

- A. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1272 or 1289.7 of this title, any Any person stopped pursuant to a moving traffic violation who is transporting a loaded pistol firearm in or on the motor vehicle without a valid handgun license as authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or a valid license from another state, or and is in violation of any law related to the carrying or transporting of firearms, whether the loaded firearm is concealed or unconcealed in or on the vehicle, may be issued a traffic citation in the amount of Seventy Dollars (\$70.00), plus court costs, for transporting a firearm improperly. In addition to the traffic citation provided in this section, the person may also be arrested for any other violation of law.
 - B. Any firearm lawfully carried or transported as permitted pursuant to state law shall not be confiscated, unless:
- 1. The person is arrested for violating another provision of law other than a violation of subsection A of this section;

- provided, however, if the person is never charged with an offense pursuant to this paragraph or if the charges are dismissed or the person is acquitted, the weapon and ammunition shall be returned to the person; or
 - 2. The officer has probable cause to believe the weapon is:
 - a. contraband, or
 - b. a firearm used in the commission of a crime other than a violation of subsection A of this section.
 - C. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require confiscation of any firearm.
- 11 SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.24, as
 12 last amended by Section 8, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp.
- 13 2020, Section 1289.24), is amended to read as follows:
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15 | FIREARM REGULATION - STATE PREEMPTION

- A. 1. The State Legislature hereby occupies and preempts the entire field of legislation in this state touching in any way firearms, knives, <u>firearm and ammunition</u> components, ammunition, and supplies to the complete exclusion of any order, <u>policy</u>, ordinance, or regulation by any municipality or other political subdivision of this state. Any existing or future orders, <u>policies</u>, ordinances, or regulations in this field, except as provided for in paragraph 2 of this subsection and subsection C of this section, are null and void.
 - 2. A municipality may adopt any ordinance:

- a. relating to the discharge of firearms within the jurisdiction of the municipality, and
- b. allowing the municipality to issue a traffic citation for transporting a firearm improperly as provided for in Section 1289.13A of this title, provided, however, that penalties contained for violation of any ordinance enacted pursuant to the provisions of this subparagraph shall not exceed the penalties established in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.
- 3. As provided in the preemption provisions of this section, the otherwise lawful carrying or possession of a firearm under the provisions of Chapter 53 of this title shall not be punishable by any municipality or other political subdivision of this state as disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace or similar offense against public order.
- 4. A public or private school may create a policy regulating the possession of knives on school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by the school for purposes of transportation.
- B. No municipality, agency or other political subdivision of this state shall adopt any order, policy, ordinance, resolution or regulation concerning in any way the sale, purchase, purchase delay, transfer, ownership, use, keeping, possession, carrying, bearing, transportation, licensing, permit, registration, taxation other than

- sales and compensating use taxes, or other controls on firearms, knives, firearm and ammunition components, ammunition, and supplies.
- C. Except as hereinafter provided, this section shall not prohibit any order, policy, ordinance, or regulation by any municipality concerning the confiscation of property used in violation of the ordinances of the municipality as provided for in Section 28-121 of Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Provided, however, no municipal ordinance relating to transporting a firearm or knife improperly may include a provision for confiscation of property.
- D. When a person's rights pursuant to the protection of the preemption provisions of this section have been violated by any order, policy, ordinance, resolution or regulation promulgated or enforced by any person, municipality, agency or other political subdivision of this state, the person so violated shall have the right to bring a civil action against the persons person, municipality, and agency or political subdivision jointly and severally, or employee of the municipality, agency or political subdivision if the employee was acting beyond the scope and course of employment, for injunctive relief or monetary damages or both.
- E. A court may require the offending person, municipality,

 agency or political subdivision to pay reasonable expenses to a

 person in an action filed pursuant to the provisions of subsection D

 of this section if:

1. The aggrieved party first provides written notice of the unlawful order, policy, ordinance, resolution or regulation by certified first-class mail or service of process to the person, city or town clerk or the designated agent of the municipality, agency or political subdivision and allows the person, municipality, agency or political subdivision ninety (90) days to rescind, repeal or otherwise abrogate the order, policy, ordinance, resolution or regulation; and

2. A court grants final determination in favor of the person whose rights were violated and the issue in controversy is governed by previously settled law.

If the person, municipality, agency or political subdivision

fails to rescind, repeal or otherwise abrogate the unlawful order,

policy, ordinance, resolution or regulation within ninety (90) days

of required notice as provided in paragraph 1 of this subsection and

the order, policy, ordinance, resolution or regulation is

subsequently rescinded, repealed or otherwise abrogated after the

aggrieved party files suit, the aggrieved party shall retain

standing in the suit and may recover damages or reasonable expenses.

F. As used in this section, "reasonable expenses" includes, but is not limited to, attorney fees, expert witness fees and court costs.

1 | SECTION 12. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.2, as

2 | last amended by Section 4, Chapter 63, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp.

2020, Section 1290.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1290.2

DEFINITIONS

- A. As used in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act:
- 1. "Concealed handgun firearm" means a loaded or unloaded pistol or handgun firearm, not openly visible to the ordinary observation of a reasonable person;
- 2. "Unconcealed handgun firearm" or "open carry" means a loaded or unloaded pistol or handgun firearm that is not held in the hand, but rather is carried upon the person in a holster where the firearm is visible, or carried upon the person using a scabbard, or sling in a general vertical position where the barrel of the firearm is safely pointed in an up or down direction, or in a case designed for carrying firearms. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply while lawfully at a gun range, while lawfully hunting, or during an act of self-defense; and
- 3. "Pistol" or "handgun" shall have the same definition as provided in the Oklahoma Firearms Act of 1971, defined in Section 1289.3 of this title;
- 4. "Rifle" shall have the same definition as provided in Section 1289.4 of this title; and

- 5. "Shotgun" shall have the same definition as provided in Section 1289.5 of this title.
 - B. The definition of pistol or handgun for purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall not apply to imitation pistols, flare guns, underwater fishing guns or blank pistols.
 - C. Pistols, handguns, rifles, shotguns and all other lawful firearms mentioned in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act may collectively be referred to as "firearms".
 - SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.4, as amended by Section 25, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1290.4), is amended to read as follows:
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As Except as provided by Section 1272 of this title, it is unlawful lawful for any person a citizen or permanent resident, who can lawfully purchase or possess a firearm under state law, to carry or transport a concealed or unconcealed handgun firearm in this state, except as hereby authorized by the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or as may otherwise be provided by law.

SECTION 14. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.6, as amended by Section 27, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1290.6), is amended to read as follows:

23 | Section 1290.6

PROHIBITED AMMUNITION

1 Any concealed or unconcealed handgun firearm when carried in a manner authorized by the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and when loaded with any ammunition which is either a restricted bullet as defined by Section 1289.19 of this title or is larger than .45 caliber or is otherwise prohibited by law shall be deemed a prohibited weapon for purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be punished for a criminal offense as provided by Section 1272 of this title or any other applicable provision of law. In addition to any criminal prosecution for a violation of the provisions of this section, the licensee shall be subject to an administrative fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), upon a hearing and determination by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation that the person is in violation of the provisions of this section.

SECTION 15. 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.7, as AMENDATORY last amended by Section 10, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1290.7), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1290.7

CONSTRUING AUTHORITY OF LICENSE

The authority to carry a concealed or unconcealed handgun Α. pursuant to a valid handgun license firearm as authorized by the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall not be construed to authorize any person to:

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- 1. Carry or possess any weapon other than an authorized pistol firearm, as defined by the provisions of Section 1290.2 1289.3, 1289.4 or 1289.5 of this title;
 - 2. Carry or possess any pistol firearm in any manner or in any place otherwise prohibited by law;
 - 3. Carry or possess any prohibited ammunition or any illegal τ imitation or homemade pistol firearm in violation of state law;
 - 4. Carry or possess any pistol firearm when the person is prohibited by state or federal law from carrying or possessing any firearm; or
 - 5. Point, discharge or use the pistol firearm in any manner not
 otherwise authorized by law.
 - B. The availability of a license ability to carry a firearm pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall not be construed to prohibit the lawful transport or carrying of a handgun or pistol firearm in a vehicle or on or about the person, whether concealed or unconcealed, loaded or unloaded, and without a valid handgun license as permitted by law.
- 19 SECTION 16. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.8, as
 20 last amended by Section 4, Chapter 406, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp.
 21 2020, Section 1290.8), is amended to read as follows:
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23 POSSESSION OF LICENSE REQUIRED

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- A. Except as otherwise prohibited by law, an eligible person shall have authority to carry a concealed or unconcealed handgun firearm in this state when:
- 1. The person has been issued a handgun license from the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, provided the person is in compliance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, and the license has not expired or been subsequently suspended or revoked; or
- 2. The person is twenty-one (21) years of age or older, and is either:
 - a. active military, or
 - b. a member of the Reserve or National Guard to include

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 or Military Technicians,

and presents a valid military identification card that shall be considered a valid handgun license issued authorized pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act provisions of Section 1272 of this title.

B. A person in possession of a valid state photo identification card, driver license or valid handgun license or who meets the criteria and presents a valid military identification card as provided for in this section and is in compliance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall be authorized to

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carry such concealed or unconcealed handgun firearm while scouting as it relates to hunting or fishing or while hunting or fishing.

C. The person shall be required to have possession of his or her valid handgun license or, a valid military identification card as provided for qualified persons in this section and, a valid driver license or a state photo identification card at all times when in possession of an authorized pistol a firearm. The person shall display the either a valid handgun license or, a valid military identification card, a valid driver license or a valid state photo identification card as provided for qualified persons in this section on demand of a law enforcement officer; provided, however, that in the absence of reasonable and articulable suspicion of other criminal activity, an individual carrying an unconcealed or concealed handgun firearm shall not be disarmed or physically restrained unless the individual fails to display a valid handgun license or, a valid military identification card, a valid driver license or a valid state photo identification card as provided for qualified persons in this section in response to that demand. Any violation of the provisions of this subsection may be punishable as a criminal offense as authorized by Section 1272 of this title or pursuant to any other applicable provision of law.

Upon the arrest of any person for a violation of the provisions of this subsection, the person may show proof to the court that a valid handgun license and the other required, a valid military

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identification card, a valid driver license or a valid state photo identification card has been issued to such person and the person may state any reason why the valid handgun license, a valid military identification card, valid driver license or valid state photo identification card as provided for qualified persons in this section or the other required identification was not carried by the person as required by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. The court shall dismiss an alleged violation of Section 1272 of this title upon payment of court costs, if proof of a valid handgun license and other required, a valid military identification card, a valid driver license or a valid state photo identification card is shown to the court within ten (10) days of the arrest of the person. The court shall report a dismissal of a charge to the Bureau for consideration of administrative proceedings against the licensee.

D. It shall be unlawful for any person to fail or refuse to identify the fact that the person is in actual possession of a concealed or unconcealed firearm pursuant to the authority of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act during the course of any arrest, detainment, or routine traffic stop. Said identification to the law enforcement officer shall be required upon the demand of the law enforcement officer. No person shall be required to identify himself or herself as a handgun licensee or as lawfully in possession of any other firearm if the law enforcement officer does not demand the information. No person shall be required to identify

- 1 himself or herself as a handgun licensee in possession of a firearm when no handgun firearm is in the possession of the person or in any 3 vehicle in which the person is driving or is a passenger. Any 4 violator of the provisions of this subsection may be issued a 5 citation for an amount not exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).
 - E. Any law enforcement officer coming in contact with a person whose handgun license is suspended, revoked, or expired, or who is in possession of a handgun license which has not been lawfully issued to that person, shall confiscate the license and return it to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation for appropriate administrative proceedings against the licensee when the license is no longer needed as evidence in any criminal proceeding.
 - Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize a law enforcement officer to inspect any weapon properly concealed or unconcealed without probable cause that a crime has been committed.
 - 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.22, as last amended by Section 12, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp.
- 18 2020, Section 1290.22), is amended to read as follows:

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BUSINESS OWNER'S RIGHTS

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, holder of an event permit, <u>liquor store</u>, 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, holder of an event permit, <u>liquor store</u>, 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 otherwise lawful carrying of a concealed or unconcealed firearm by a person on property that has signs prohibiting the carrying of firearms shall subject the person to being denied entrance onto the property or removed from the property. If the person:
- 1. Has been informed by the property owner, business entity or manager of the business that the person is in violation of a policy that prohibits firearms on the property; and

- 2. Refuses to leave the property and a peace officer is summoned.
 - the person may be punished as provided in Section 1276 of this title shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).
 - F. A person, property owner, tenant, employer, holder of an event permit, <u>liquor store</u>, place of worship or business entity that does <u>prohibits</u> 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, holder of an event permit, <u>liquor store</u>, place of worship or business entity owns, or has legal control of, <u>is immune</u> from any <u>shall not be subject to</u> liability arising from that decision.

Except for acts of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct, an employer who does prohibits or does not prohibit his or her employees from carrying a concealed or unconcealed weapon is immune from any shall not be subject to liability arising from that decision.

A person, property owner, tenant, employer, holder of an event permit, <u>liquor store</u>, place of worship or business entity that does not prohibit persons from carrying a concealed or unconcealed weapon pursuant to subsection D of this section shall be immune from any not be subject to liability arising from the carrying of a concealed

or unconcealed weapon, while in the scope of employment, on the property or in or about a business entity vehicle.

The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to claims pursuant to the 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 of this section 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.
- SECTION 18. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.24, as last amended by Section 13, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1290.24), is amended to read as follows:
- 17 Section 1290.24

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18 IMMUNITY

- A. The state or any political subdivision of the state, as defined in Section 152 of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and its officers, agents and employees shall <u>not</u> be <u>immune from subject to</u> liability resulting or arising from:
- 1. Failure to prevent the licensing of an individual for whom
 the receipt of the license is unlawful pursuant to the provisions of

- 1 the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or any other provision of law of this
 2 state;
 - 2. Any action or misconduct with a firearm committed by a person pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or by any person who obtains a firearm;
 - 3. Any injury to any person during a handgun firearm training course conducted by a firearms instructor certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training to conduct training under the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, or injury from any misfire or malfunction of any handgun firearm on a training course firing range supervised by a certified firearms instructor under the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, or any injury resulting from carrying a concealed or unconcealed handgun firearm pursuant to a handgun license any firearms training; and
 - 4. Any action or finding pursuant to a hearing conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act as required in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.
 - B. Firearms instructors certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training to conduct training for the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall not be immune from subject to liability to third persons resulting or arising from any claim based on an act or omission of a trainee.
- C. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to claims pursuant to the Administrative Workers' Compensation Act.

SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.25, as amended by Section 43, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1290.25), is amended to read as follows:

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LEGISLATIVE INTENT

The Legislature finds as a matter of public policy and fact that it is necessary to provide statewide uniform standards for issuing licenses to carry carrying concealed or unconcealed handguns firearms for lawful self-defense and self-protection, and further finds it necessary to occupy the field of regulation of the bearing of concealed or unconcealed handguns firearms to ensure that no honest, law-abiding citizen who qualifies pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act is subjectively or arbitrarily denied his or her rights. The Legislature does not delegate to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation any authority to regulate or restrict the issuing of handgun licenses except as provided by the provisions of this act. Subjective or arbitrary actions or rules which encumber the issuing process by placing burdens on the applicant beyond those requirements detailed in the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or which create restrictions beyond those specified in this act the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act are deemed to be in conflict with the intent of this act the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and are hereby prohibited. The Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall be liberally construed to carry out the constitutional

- 1 | right to bear arms for self-defense and self-protection. The
- 2 provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act are cumulative to
- 3 existing rights to bear arms and nothing in the Oklahoma Self-
- 4 Defense Act shall impair or diminish those rights.
- 5 However, the conditions that mandate the administrative actions
- 6 of license denial, suspension, revocation or an administrative fine
- 7 are intended to protect the health, safety and public welfare of the
- 8 citizens of this state. The restricting conditions specified in the
- 9 Oklahoma Self-Defense Act generally involve the criminal history,
- 10 | mental state, alcohol or substance abuse of the applicant or
- 11 | licensee, a hazard of domestic violence, a danger to police
- 12 officers, or the ability of the Oklahoma State Bureau of
- 13 Investigation to properly administer the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.
- 14 | The restricting conditions that establish a risk of injury or harm
- 15 to the public are tailored to reduce the risks to the benefit of the
- 16 | citizens of this state.
- 17 SECTION 20. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.26, as
- 18 | last amended by Section 4, Chapter 298, O.S.L. 2017 (21 O.S. Supp.
- 19 2020, Section 1290.26), is amended to read as follows:
- 20 | Section 1290.26

21 RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT AUTHORITY

- 22 <u>A.</u> The State of Oklahoma <u>shall</u> hereby recognizes <u>recognize</u> any
- valid concealed or unconcealed carry weapons permit, valid military
- 24 identification card, as provided for qualified persons in Section

1290.8 of this title, or license issued by another state, or if the state is or is not a nonpermitting carry state, this state shall reciprocate under the permitting law of that state.

A. B. Any person entering this state in possession of a firearm authorized for concealed or unconcealed carry upon the authority and license of another state $\frac{or_{,}}{}$ a valid military identification card, a valid driver license or a valid state photo identification card, as provided for qualified persons in Section 1290.8 of this title, is authorized to continue to carry a concealed or unconcealed firearm and license in this state; provided, the license from the other state or, a valid military identification card, a valid driver license or a valid state photo identification card, as provided for qualified persons in Section 1290.8 of this title, remains valid. The firearm must either be carried unconcealed or concealed, and upon coming in contact with any peace officer of this state, the person must disclose the fact that he or she is in possession of a concealed or unconcealed firearm pursuant to a valid concealed or unconcealed carry weapons permit, license or a valid military identification card, as provided for qualified persons in Section 1290.8 of this title, issued in another state.

B. C. Any person entering who enters this state in possession of a firearm authorized for concealed carry upon the authority of a state that is a nonpermitted carry state and the person is in compliance with the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, the person is shall

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1 be authorized to carry a concealed or unconcealed firearm in this The firearm must be carried fully concealed, or unconcealed 3 and upon. When coming in contact with any peace a law enforcement 4 officer of this state and upon instruction from the law enforcement 5 officer, the person must disclose the fact that he or she is in possession of a concealed or unconcealed firearm pursuant to the 6 7 nonpermitting laws of the state in which he or she is a legal resident. The person shall present proper identification by a valid 8 photo ID as proof that he or she is a legal resident in such a non-10 permitting state. The Department of Public Safety shall keep a 11 current list of non-permitting states for law enforcement officers 12 to confirm that a state is nonpermitting.

 $\frac{C_{\bullet}}{D_{\bullet}}$ Any person who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older having a valid firearm license from another state may apply for a handgun license in this state immediately upon establishing a residence residency in this state.

SECTION 21. REPEALER 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.13, as last amended by Section 6, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2019 (21 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 1289.13), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 22. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

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