

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

3 HOUSE BILL 2120

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to firearms; amending 21 O.S. 2021,
8 Section 1289.7, which relates to firearms in
9 vehicles; making certain acts unlawful; providing
10 penalties; and providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1289.7, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 1289.7

15 FIREARMS IN VEHICLES

16 A. Any person who is not otherwise prohibited by law from
17 possessing or purchasing a firearm and is not carrying or
18 transporting a firearm in the furtherance of a crime may transport
19 in or on a vehicle a firearm, loaded or unloaded, at any time.

20 B. Any person, eighteen (18) to twenty (20) years of age, who
21 is not otherwise prohibited by law from possessing or purchasing a
22 firearm and is not carrying or transporting a firearm in the
23 furtherance of a crime may transport in or on a vehicle, open or
24 concealed, an unloaded firearm at any time.

1 C. It shall be unlawful for any person transporting a firearm
2 in or on a vehicle to fail or refuse to identify that the person is
3 in actual possession of a firearm when demanded by a law enforcement
4 officer of this state during any arrest, detainment or routine
5 traffic stop. Any person who violates the provisions of this
6 subsection may be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed One
7 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

8 D. It shall be unlawful for any person to leave a firearm in an
9 unattended vehicle unless the ammunition for the firearm is removed
10 from the firearm and the firearm is in a locked compartment such as
11 a safe, glove compartment, or trunk that cannot be accessed from the
12 main interior of the vehicle. Any person who violates the
13 provisions of this subsection shall be issued a warning for a first
14 offense and may be subject to an administrative fine in an amount
15 not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for any second and
16 subsequent offenses; provided, however, if the firearm is a handgun,
17 the administrative fine shall be in an amount not to exceed Five
18 Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). If a violation of the provisions of
19 this subsection results in a minor, a prohibited person, or an at-
20 risk person obtaining the firearm and using the firearm to commit a
21 criminal offense or to injure themselves or another, the person shall,
22 upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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