

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1191

5 By: Representatives Teague, French, Creekmore, Biggs, Oglesby
6 By: Senator Hill
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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 12-15-202 TO PRESCRIBE
11 CONDI TIONS UNDER WHICH RETI RED LAW ENFORCEMENT
12 OFFICERS MAY CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 12-15-202(b) is amended to read as follows:

25 (b)(1) ~~Any retired law enforcement officer may carry a concealed~~
26 ~~handgun in accordance with regulations prescribed by the board created by §~~
27 ~~12-15-203 (repealed)~~ A concealed handgun may be carried by any retired law
28 enforcement officer:

29 (A) Who retired from service with a public law enforcement
30 department, office, or agency for reasons other than mental disability; and

31 (B) Who immediately before retirement was a certified law
32 enforcement officer authorized by the public law enforcement department,
33 office, or agency to carry a firearm in the course and scope of his or her
34 duties; and

35 (C) Who has nonforfeitable rights to benefits under the
36 retirement plan of the public law enforcement department, office, or agency;

1 and

2 (D) Who is carrying appropriate written identification
3 issued by the public law enforcement department, office, or agency identifying
4 him or her as a retired and former certified law enforcement officer; and

5 (E) Who is not otherwise prohibited under state or federal
6 law; and

7 (F) Who has written authorization from the chief law
8 enforcement officer of the city or county in which he or she resides, or, in
9 the case of retired Department of Arkansas State Police officers, written
10 authorization from the Director of the Department of Arkansas State Police;
11 and

12 (G) Whose fingerprint impressions are on file with the
13 Department of Arkansas State Police together with written authorization for
14 state and national level criminal history record screening.

15 (2) The chief law enforcement officer of the city or county shall
16 keep a record of all retired law enforcement officers, other than retired
17 state police officers, authorized to carry a concealed handgun in his or her
18 jurisdiction and shall revoke any authorization for good cause shown, except
19 that the chief law enforcement officer shall have no authority to revoke an
20 authorization issued to a retired state police officer.

21 (3) The written authorizations required from the Director of the
22 Department of Arkansas State Police under subdivision (b)(1)(F) expire four
23 (4) years after issuance and are renewable for subsequent four-year periods.
24 The director shall issue written authorizations only for those retired state
25 police officers who satisfactorily qualify on the shooting range and whom the
26 director otherwise deems competent to use a handgun. Retired state police
27 officers authorized to carry a handgun under this subsection shall
28 satisfactorily qualify on the shooting range prior to the issuance or renewal
29 of the authorization and the director may require qualification on the
30 shooting range more frequently.

31 (4) An out-of-state retired law enforcement officer in possession
32 of a valid out-of-state permit which authorizes that person to carry a
33 concealed handgun may carry a concealed handgun in Arkansas to the same extent
34 that the other state allows a retired Arkansas law enforcement officer to
35 carry a concealed handgun.

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