

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

Act 545 of 2003
SENATE BILL 69

5 By: Senator Broadway
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION TO THE CONCEALED
10 HANDGUN LICENSE LAW FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL; TO
11 PROVIDE FOR TRANSFERRING CONCEALED HANDGUN
12 LICENSES FROM RECIPROCAL STATES; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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17 PERSONNEL; TO PROVIDE FOR TRANSFERRING
18 CONCEALED HANDGUN LICENSES FROM
19 RECIPROCAL STATES.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-73-309(1)(A), concerning requirements for
26 a concealed handgun license, is amended to read as follows:

27 (1)(A)(i) Is a citizen of the United States of America and is a
28 resident of the state and has been a resident continuously for twelve (12)
29 months or longer immediately preceding the filing of the application.

30 (ii) Provided, this shall not apply to any retired
31 city, county, state, or federal law enforcement officer or active duty
32 military personnel who submit documentation of his or her active duty status;
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34 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-73-313, concerning expiration and renewal
35 of a concealed handgun license, is amended to add an additional subsection to
36 read as follows:



1 (g) Active duty military personnel and reservists on active duty who
 2 submit documentation of their active duty status shall be exempt from the
 3 training requirements under subsection (b) of this section.

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 5 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code Title 5, Chapter 73, Subchapter 3 is amended
 6 to add an additional section to read as follows:

7 5-73-319. Transfer of a license to Arkansas.

8 (a) Any person who has a valid license to carry a concealed handgun
 9 issued by a reciprocal state, who becomes a resident of Arkansas, may apply
 10 to transfer his or her license to Arkansas by submitting the following to the
 11 Department of Arkansas State Police:

12 (1) His or her current reciprocal state permit;

13 (2) Two (2) properly completed fingerprint cards;

14 (3) A nonrefundable license fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00);

15 and

16 (4) Any fees charged by state and federal agencies for a
 17 criminal history check.

18 (b) The newly transferred license shall be valid for a period of four
 19 (4) years from the date of issuance, and shall bind the holder to all
 20 Arkansas laws and regulations regarding the carrying of the concealed
 21 handgun.

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 23 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code 5-73-312(c), concerning revocation of
 24 concealed handgun permits, is amended to read as follows:

25 ~~(c)(1) The director shall revoke the license of any licensee proven to~~
 26 ~~have consumed alcoholic beverages who has plead guilty, nolo contendere, or~~
 27 ~~been found guilty of an alcohol related offense committed while carrying a~~
 28 ~~handgun.~~

29 ~~(2) It shall be conclusive evidence of such consumption if an~~
 30 ~~open container of alcoholic beverages is in the possession of the licensee or~~
 31 ~~is in the vehicle in which the licensee is an occupant.~~

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 33 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 5-73-309(2), concerning reciprocity for
 34 carrying a concealed handgun, is amended to read as follows:

35 (2) Is a person who has a valid license to carry a concealed
 36 handgun issued by another state and the director determines, ~~without~~

1 ~~requiring the person to meet the eligibility or fee requirements, that:~~

2 (A) The eligibility requirements to obtain a license to
3 carry a concealed handgun imposed by the other state are at least as rigorous
4 as the eligibility requirements imposed by this section; and

5 (B) The other state provides reciprocal licensing
6 privileges to a person who holds a license issued under this subchapter and
7 who has applied for a license to carry a concealed handgun in the other
8 state.

9 /s/ Broadway

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