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A Bill

SENATE BILL 896

5 By: Senator B. King
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABILITY OF A CHURCH THAT
9 OPERATES A PRIVATE SCHOOL, K-12, TO ALLOW A PERSON
10 WHO POSSESSES A CONCEALED HANDGUN LICENSE TO CARRY A
11 CONCEALED HANDGUN ON SCHOOL PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABILITY OF A CHURCH
16 THAT OPERATES A PRIVATE SCHOOL, K-12, TO
17 ALLOW A PERSON WHO POSSESSES A CONCEALED
18 HANDGUN LICENSE TO CARRY A CONCEALED
19 HANDGUN ON SCHOOL PROPERTY.
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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 § 5-73-119(e), concerning defenses to
26 prosecution for the possession of a firearm on school property, is amended to
27 add a new subdivision to read as follows:

28 (11) The person has a license to carry a concealed handgun under § 5-
29 73-301 et seq. and is carrying a concealed handgun on the developed property
30 of a kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) private school operated by a
31 church or other place of worship that:

32 (A) Is located on the developed property of the kindergarten
33 through grade twelve (K-12) private school;

34 (B) Allows the person to carry a concealed handgun into the
35 church or other place of worship under § 5-73-306; and

36 (C) Allows the person to possess a concealed handgun on the



1 developed property of the kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) private
2 school.

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4 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-73-306(14), concerning a prohibited place
5 to carry a concealed handgun, is amended to read as follows:

6 (14)(A) ~~Any~~ A school, college, community college, or university campus
7 building or event, unless for the purpose of participating in an authorized
8 firearms-related activity~~+~~.

9 (B) However, subdivision (14)(A) of this section does not apply
10 to a kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) private school operated by a
11 church or other place of worship that:

12 (i) Is located on the developed property of the
13 kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) private school;

14 (ii) Allows the licensee to carry a concealed handgun into
15 the church or other place of worship under this section; and

16 (iii) Allows the licensee to possess a concealed handgun on
17 the developed property of the kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12)
18 private school under § 5-73-119(e);

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