

## ARKANSAS SENTENCING COMMISSION

1302 Pike Avenue, Suite E • North Little Rock, AR 72114 Phone: (501) 682-5001 • Fax: (501) 682-5018

## **Impact Assessment for HB1683** Sponsored by Representative Duffield

Subtitle TO CLARIFY THE PURPOSE OF THE STATUTES AUTHORIZING A LICENSE TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN; TO CLARIFY THAT A LICENSE TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN IS NOT REQUIRED TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN IN THIS STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Impact Summary<sup>1</sup> None.

Change from Current Law<sup>2</sup> Creates a new section in Title 5 of the Arkansas Code Annotated, § 5-73-328, Purpose and construction of subchapter, which clarifies that Chapter 73, Subchapter 3, Concealed Handguns, does not require a person to obtain a permit to carry a concealed handgun in order to carry a concealed handgun in Arkansas.

Impact Information The proposed bill does not create a new criminal offense, add courses of conduct to existing criminal penalties, or increase criminal penalties. For this reason, the proposed bill is not projected to result in an increased need for correctional resources.

<sup>2</sup> Standard punishment ranges:

Class Y 10-40 years or life

Class A 6-30 years; up to \$15,000 Class B 5-20 years; up to \$15,000

Class C 3-10 years; up to \$10,000 Class D 0-6 years; up to \$10,000 Unclassified As specified in statute Class A Up to 1 year; up to \$2,500 Class B Up to 90 days; up to \$1,000 Class C Up to 30 days; up to \$500

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This impact assessment was prepared 4/4/2023 12:33 PM by the staff of the Arkansas Sentencing Commission pursuant to A. C. A. § 16-90-802(d)(6) with data supplied by the Arkansas Department of Corrections and the Administrative Office of the Courts. A micro-simulation model may be used for bills which have the potential for significant impact on correctional resources. The following designations will be used: "minimal" = less than 10 offenders per year will be affected; "medium" = would require budgetary increases for ADC inmate costs; and "major" = would require budgetary increases for ADC inmate costs and construction costs for additional beds. Misdemeanors