

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1626

By: Representatives Lemons, Ballinger, Baltz, Beck, Bell, Brown, Collins, Copeland, Cozart, Deffenbaugh, Della Rosa, Dotson, C. Douglas, Eads, Farrer, Gates, Gonzales, Henderson, Johnson, Lundstrum, J. Mayberry, Miller, Neal, Payton, Petty, Richmond, Rushing, B. Smith, Sorvillo, Speaks, Tosh, Vaught, Wallace, Wardlaw, Womack
By: Senator E. Williams

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO PERMIT AN ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO IS A CONCEALED CARRY LICENSEE TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN IN THE COURTHOUSE THAT CONTAINS THE ELECTED PERSON'S PRIMARY PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO PERMIT AN ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO IS A CONCEALED CARRY LICENSEE TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN IN THE COURTHOUSE THAT CONTAINS THE ELECTED PERSON'S PRIMARY PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-73-122(a)(1), concerning carrying a firearm in a publicly owned building or facility, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Except as provided in § 5-73-322 or § 5-73-306(5), it is unlawful for any person other than a law enforcement officer or a security guard in the employ of the state or an agency of the state, or any city or county, or any state or federal military personnel, to knowingly carry or possess a loaded firearm or other deadly weapon in any publicly owned building or facility or on the State Capitol grounds.



SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-73-306(5), concerning the prohibition against carrying a concealed handgun in a courthouse, is amended to read as follows:

(5) Any courthouse, unless:

(A) The licensee is a county elected official; and

(B) The licensee is carrying a concealed handgun in compliance with the local security and emergency preparedness plan under § 16-10-1003;

/s/Lemons