

By: Senator T. Garner

SENATE RESOLUTION

TO AUTHORIZE THE INTRODUCTION OF A NONAPPROPRIATION BILL WITH AN EMERGENCY CLAUSE CONCERNING THE TRAINING REQUIRED FOR A CONCEALED CARRY ENDORSEMENT; AND CONCERNING CONCEALED HANDGUNS.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT Representative Ballinger is authorized to introduce a bill which as introduced will read substantially as follows:

"For An Act To Be Entitled
AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRAINING REQUIRED FOR A CONCEALED CARRY ENDORSEMENT; CONCERNING CONCEALED HANDGUNS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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CONCERNING THE TRAINING REQUIRED FOR A CONCEALED CARRY ENDORSEMENT; CONCERNING CONCEALED HANDGUNS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.



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

SECTION 1. The introductory language of § 5-73-306, concerning the places a person who possesses a license to carry a concealed handgun is prohibited from carrying a concealed handgun, is amended to read as follows:

Except as permitted under § 5-73-322(~~g~~), a license to carry a concealed handgun issued under this subchapter does not authorize a person to carry a concealed handgun into:

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 5-73-322(g)(2)(A), concerning the training requirements for a concealed carry endorsement, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) Training required under this subsection shall:

- (i) Not be required to be renewed;
- (ii) Consist of a course of up to eight (8) hours;

and

~~(iii) Be offered by all training instructors and at all concealed carry training courses; and~~

~~(iv) (iii) Cost no more than a nominal reasonable amount.~~

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the current introductory language of Arkansas Code § 5-73-306 lacks clarity and that the current requirement under Arkansas Code § 5-73-322(g)(2)(A) that training for a concealed carry endorsement be offered by all training instructors and at all concealed carry training courses is overly burdensome; that a concealed carry training instructor should be able to determine whether he or she desires to offer training for a concealed carry endorsement; and that this act is immediately necessary because the current requirement has limited the number of instructors who are willing to offer concealed carry training. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."