
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provide an exception to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons for former members of the legislature who qualify annually in the use of firearms and who meet certain conditions.

Present law provides for the crime of illegal carrying of weapons, which prohibits the carrying of concealed weapons, and identifies certain active and retired public officials who can lawfully carry a concealed weapon.

Proposed law retains present law and adds former members of either house of the legislature to the list of persons who can lawfully carry a concealed weapon. Further provides that the former member of the legislature shall be qualified annually in the use of firearms by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training and have on his person valid identification showing proof of status as a former member of the legislature.

Proposed law shall not apply to a former member of the legislature who is medically retired based upon any mental impairment, or who has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to or been found guilty of a felony offense.

(Amends R.S. 14:95(K))