

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 707

BY REPRESENTATIVE GAROFALO

WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Creates an exception to the crime of carrying a concealed weapon on a school campus for concealed weapons holders who are teachers or administrators of certain schools

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11) and to enact R.S. 14:95.2(C)(9), relative to  
3 carrying a firearm on school property; to provide an exception for administrators and  
4 teachers on the campus of an elementary, secondary, or high school campus who  
5 possess a concealed handgun permit; to create exceptions regarding where concealed  
6 handguns may be carried; to provide for additional training; to provide for  
7 applicability; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 14:95.2(A)(C)(9) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §95.2. Carrying a firearm or dangerous weapon by a student or nonstudent on  
11 school property, at school-sponsored functions, or in a firearm-free zone

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13 C. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to:

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15 (9) A teacher or administrator of an elementary, secondary, or high school  
16 who has been issued a concealed handgun permit pursuant to R.S. 40:1379.1 or R.S.  
17 40:1379.3 while on school property, at a school sponsored function, or in a firearm-  
18 free zone where the teacher or administrator is employed. The carrying of a  
19 concealed handgun pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph shall require those

1 teachers or administrators to complete an additional eight-hour tactical training prior  
2 to carrying a concealed handgun on school property. The training shall be conducted  
3 annually. Nothing in this Paragraph shall be construed to limit the right of a school  
4 governing body or administration to prohibit or restrict access of those persons  
5 possessing a concealed handgun permit from carrying a firearm on school property.

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7 Section 2. R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
8 follows:

9 §1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures;  
10 definitions

11 \* \* \*

12 N. No concealed handgun may be carried into and no concealed handgun  
13 permit issued pursuant to this Section shall authorize or entitle a permittee to carry  
14 a concealed handgun in any of the following:

15 \* \* \*

16 (11) Any school "firearm-free zone" as defined in R.S. 14:95.6, except to the  
17 extent permitted by the provisions of R.S. 14:95.2(C)(9).

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DIGEST

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HB No. 707

**Abstract:** Creates an exception to the crime of carrying a firearm on an elementary, secondary, or high school campus for teachers or administrators of those schools who possess a concealed handgun permit.

Present law creates the crime of carrying of a firearm or dangerous weapon on school property.

Present law defines "school" as any elementary, secondary, high school, vocational-technical school, college, or university in this state.

Present law contains exceptions to the prohibition against carrying firearms on school property.

Proposed law adds as an exception to the crime of carrying a firearm or dangerous weapon on school property when the person carrying the firearm is a teacher or administrator of that school who has been issued a concealed handgun permit.

Proposed law requires an annual eight-hour tactical training for those teachers or administrators prior to being able to carry a concealed handgun on school property.

Provides that proposed law shall not be construed to limit the right of a school governing body or administration to prohibit or restrict access of those persons possessing a concealed handgun permit from carrying a firearm on school property.

(Amends R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11); Adds R.S. 14:95.2(C)(9))