

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB2425

Introduced 2/10/2023, by Sen. Ram Villivalam

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 66/5 430 ILCS 66/65

Amends the Firearm Concealed Carry Act. Provides that nothing in the Act prohibits a forest preserve district from prohibiting persons from carrying a firearm into any botanic garden, campground, aquatic center, grounds of an aquatic center, boat launch, boating center, athletic venue, picnic grove, nature center, grounds of a nature center, pavilion, grounds of a pavilion, golf course, parking lot, driving range, adventure course, grounds of an adventure course, zipline building, grounds of a zipline, equestrian center, grounds of an equestrian center, exercise venue, grounds of an exercise venue, any Illinois nature preserve, land and water reserve, or any public or private gathering or special event conducted on property that requires the issuance of a permit. Defines "grounds".

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1 AN ACT concerning safety.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Firearm Concealed Carry Act is amended by
- 5 changing Sections 5 and 65 as follows:
- 6 (430 ILCS 66/5)
- 7 Sec. 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:
- 8 "Applicant" means a person who is applying for a license
- 9 to carry a concealed firearm under this Act.
- "Board" means the Concealed Carry Licensing Review Board.
- "Concealed firearm" means a loaded or unloaded handgun
- 12 carried on or about a person completely or mostly concealed
- 13 from view of the public or on or about a person within a
- 14 vehicle.
- 15 "Director" means the Director of the Illinois State
- 16 Police.
- 17 <u>"Grounds" means 75 feet from the entrance to any</u>
- 18 prohibited area on real property belonging to a forest
- 19 preserve as identified in subsection (a-6) of Section 65 or
- 20 any area enclosed by fencing located on real property
- 21 belonging by a forest preserve, whichever is greater.
- 22 "Handgun" means any device which is designed to expel a
- 23 projectile or projectiles by the action of an explosion,

- 1 expansion of gas, or escape of gas that is designed to be held
- 2 and fired by the use of a single hand. "Handgun" does not
- 3 include:
- 4 (1) a stun gun or taser;
- 5 (2) a machine gun as defined in item (i) of paragraph
- 6 (7) of subsection (a) of Section 24-1 of the Criminal Code
- 7 of 2012;
- 8 (3) a short-barreled rifle or shotgun as defined in
- 9 item (ii) of paragraph (7) of subsection (a) of Section
- 10 24-1 of the Criminal Code of 2012; or
- 11 (4) any pneumatic gun, spring gun, paint ball gun, or
- 12 B-B gun which expels a single globular projectile not
- exceeding .18 inch in diameter, or which has a maximum
- 14 muzzle velocity of less than 700 feet per second, or which
- 15 expels breakable paint balls containing washable marking
- 16 colors.
- "Law enforcement agency" means any federal, State, or
- 18 local law enforcement agency, including offices of State's
- 19 Attorneys and the Office of the Attorney General.
- "License" means a license issued by the Illinois State
- 21 Police to carry a concealed handgun.
- "Licensee" means a person issued a license to carry a
- 23 concealed handgun.
- "Municipality" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 1
- of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution.
- "Unit of local government" has the meaning ascribed to it

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- 1 in Section 1 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)
- 3 (430 ILCS 66/65)
- 4 Sec. 65. Prohibited areas.
- 5 (a) A licensee under this Act shall not knowingly carry a firearm on or into:
 - (1) Any building, real property, and parking area under the control of a public or private elementary or secondary school.
 - (2) Any building, real property, and parking area under the control of a pre-school or child care facility, including any room or portion of a building under the control of a pre-school or child care facility. Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the operator of a child care facility in a family home from owning or possessing a firearm in the home or license under this Act, if no child under child care at the home is present in the home or the firearm in the home is stored in a locked container when a child under child care at the home is present in the home.
 - (3) Any building, parking area, or portion of a building under the control of an officer of the executive or legislative branch of government, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit a licensee from carrying a concealed firearm onto the real property, bikeway, or trail in a park regulated by the Department of Natural

Resources or any other designated public hunting area or building where firearm possession is permitted as established by the Department of Natural Resources under Section 1.8 of the Wildlife Code.

- (4) Any building designated for matters before a circuit court, appellate court, or the Supreme Court, or any building or portion of a building under the control of the Supreme Court.
- (5) Any building or portion of a building under the control of a unit of local government.
- (6) Any building, real property, and parking area under the control of an adult or juvenile detention or correctional institution, prison, or jail.
- (7) Any building, real property, and parking area under the control of a public or private hospital or hospital affiliate, mental health facility, or nursing home.
- (8) Any bus, train, or form of transportation paid for in whole or in part with public funds, and any building, real property, and parking area under the control of a public transportation facility paid for in whole or in part with public funds.
- (9) Any building, real property, and parking area under the control of an establishment that serves alcohol on its premises, if more than 50% of the establishment's gross receipts within the prior 3 months is from the sale

of alcohol. The owner of an establishment who knowingly fails to prohibit concealed firearms on its premises as provided in this paragraph or who knowingly makes a false statement or record to avoid the prohibition on concealed firearms under this paragraph is subject to the penalty under subsection (c-5) of Section 10-1 of the Liquor Control Act of 1934.

- (10) Any public gathering or special event conducted on property open to the public that requires the issuance of a permit from the unit of local government, provided this prohibition shall not apply to a licensee who must walk through a public gathering in order to access his or her residence, place of business, or vehicle.
- (11) Any building or real property that has been issued a Special Event Retailer's license as defined in Section 1-3.17.1 of the Liquor Control Act during the time designated for the sale of alcohol by the Special Event Retailer's license, or a Special use permit license as defined in subsection (q) of Section 5-1 of the Liquor Control Act during the time designated for the sale of alcohol by the Special use permit license.
 - (12) Any public playground.
- (13) Any public park, athletic area, or athletic facility under the control of a municipality or park district, provided nothing in this Section shall prohibit a licensee from carrying a concealed firearm while on a

- trail or bikeway if only a portion of the trail or bikeway includes a public park.
 - (14) (Blank). Any real property under the control of the Cook County Forest Preserve District.
 - (15) Any building, classroom, laboratory, medical clinic, hospital, artistic venue, athletic venue, entertainment venue, officially recognized university-related organization property, whether owned or leased, and any real property, including parking areas, sidewalks, and common areas under the control of a public or private community college, college, or university.
 - (16) Any building, real property, or parking area under the control of a gaming facility licensed under the Illinois Gambling Act or the Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975, including an inter-track wagering location licensee.
 - (17) Any stadium, arena, or the real property or parking area under the control of a stadium, arena, or any collegiate or professional sporting event.
 - (18) Any building, real property, or parking area under the control of a public library.
 - (19) Any building, real property, or parking area under the control of an airport.
 - (20) Any building, real property, or parking area under the control of an amusement park.
 - (21) Any building, real property, or parking area under the control of a zoo or museum.

- (22) Any street, driveway, parking area, property, building, or facility, owned, leased, controlled, or used by a nuclear energy, storage, weapons, or development site or facility regulated by the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The licensee shall not under any circumstance store a firearm or ammunition in his or her vehicle or in a compartment or container within a vehicle located anywhere in or on the street, driveway, parking area, property, building, or facility described in this paragraph.
- (23) Any area where firearms are prohibited under federal law.
- (a-5) Nothing in this Act shall prohibit a public or private community college, college, or university from:
 - (1) prohibiting persons from carrying a firearm within a vehicle owned, leased, or controlled by the college or university;
 - (2) developing resolutions, regulations, or policies regarding student, employee, or visitor misconduct and discipline, including suspension and expulsion;
 - (3) developing resolutions, regulations, or policies regarding the storage or maintenance of firearms, which must include designated areas where persons can park vehicles that carry firearms; and
 - (4) permitting the carrying or use of firearms for the purpose of instruction and curriculum of officially recognized programs, including but not limited to military

science and law enforcement training programs, or in any designated area used for hunting purposes or target shooting.

(a-6) Nothing in this Act prohibits a forest preserve district from prohibiting persons from carrying a firearm into any botanic garden, campground, aquatic center, grounds of an aquatic center, boat launch, boating center, athletic venue, picnic grove, nature center, grounds of a nature center, pavilion, grounds of a pavilion, golf course, parking lot, driving range, adventure course, grounds of an adventure course, zipline building, grounds of a zipline, equestrian center, grounds of an exercise venue, grounds of an exercise venue, any Illinois nature preserve, land and water reserve, or any public or private gathering or special event conducted on property that requires the issuance of a permit.

(a-10) The owner of private real property of any type may prohibit the carrying of concealed firearms on the property under his or her control. The owner must post a sign in accordance with subsection (d) of this Section indicating that firearms are prohibited on the property, unless the property is a private residence.

(b) Notwithstanding subsections (a), (a-5), and (a-10) of this Section except under paragraph (22) or (23) of subsection (a), any licensee prohibited from carrying a concealed firearm into the parking area of a prohibited location specified in

subsection (a), (a-5), (a-6), or (a-10) of this Section shall be permitted to carry a concealed firearm on or about his or her person within a vehicle into the parking area and may store a firearm or ammunition concealed in a case within a locked vehicle or locked container out of plain view within the vehicle in the parking area. A licensee may carry a concealed firearm in the immediate area surrounding his or her vehicle within a prohibited parking lot area only for the limited purpose of storing or retrieving a firearm within the vehicle's trunk. For purposes of this subsection, "case" includes a glove compartment or console that completely encloses the concealed firearm or ammunition, the trunk of the vehicle, or a firearm carrying box, shipping box, or other container.

- (c) A licensee shall not be in violation of this Section while he or she is traveling along a public right of way that touches or crosses any of the premises under subsection (a), (a-5), (a-6), or (a-10) of this Section if the concealed firearm is carried on his or her person in accordance with the provisions of this Act or is being transported in a vehicle by the licensee in accordance with all other applicable provisions of law.
- (d) Signs stating that the carrying of firearms is prohibited shall be clearly and conspicuously posted at the entrance of a building, premises, or real property specified in this Section as a prohibited area, unless the building or

- 1 premises is a private residence or forest preserve district.
- 2 Signs shall be of a uniform design as established by the
- 3 Illinois State Police and shall be 4 inches by 6 inches in
- 4 size. The Illinois State Police shall adopt rules for
- 5 standardized signs to be used under this subsection.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 101-31, eff. 6-28-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)