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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1593

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING RETIRED PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS
9 CARRYING A CONCEALED HANDGUN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

11 CONCERNING RETIRED PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS
12 CARRYING A CONCEALED HANDGUN.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-15-202(b), concerning certain retired
20 persons who may carry a concealed handgun, is amended to add an additional
21 subdivision to read as follows:

22 (3)(A) A concealed handgun may be carried by a retired
23 prosecuting attorney or a retired deputy prosecuting attorney designated by
24 the prosecuting attorney who:

25 (i) Retired in good standing from service with a
26 prosecuting attorney's office for reasons other than mental disability;

27 (ii) Immediately before retirement was authorized to
28 carry a firearm in the course and scope of his or her duties;

29 (iii) Is carrying appropriate written photographic
30 identification issued by a prosecuting attorney's office, identifying him or
31 her as a retired prosecuting attorney or a retired deputy prosecuting
32 attorney designated by the prosecuting attorney;

33 (iv) Is not otherwise prohibited under federal law
34 from receiving or possessing a firearm;

35 (v) Has fingerprint impressions on file with the
36 system together with written authorization for state and national level



1 criminal history record screening;

2 (vi) During the most recent twelve-month period has
3 met the statutory requirements of § 16-21-147(b)(4);

4 (vii) Before his or her retirement, worked or was
5 employed as a prosecuting attorney or as a deputy prosecuting attorney for an
6 aggregate of ten (10) years or more; and

7 (viii) Is not under the influence of or consuming
8 alcohol or another intoxicating or hallucinatory drug or substance.

9 (B) A prosecuting attorney shall keep a record of all
10 retired prosecuting attorneys and retired deputy prosecuting attorneys
11 designated by the prosecuting attorney authorized to carry a concealed
12 handgun in his or her jurisdiction and may revoke any authorization only for
13 good cause shown and not for an arbitrary or capricious reason.

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