

ACT No. 709

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 702

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOUIE

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95(K), relative to the carrying of concealed weapons; to provide relative to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons; to provide for exceptions for certain former members of the legislature; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 14:95(K) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§95. Illegal carrying of weapons

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K.(1) The provisions of this Section shall not prohibit a retired justice or judge of the supreme court, courts of appeal, district courts, parish courts, juvenile courts, family courts, city courts, retired attorney general, retired assistant attorneys general, retired district attorneys, ~~and~~ retired assistant district attorneys, and former members of either house of the legislature from possessing and concealing a handgun on their person provided that such retired person or former member of the legislature is qualified annually, at their expense, in the use of firearms by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training and has on their person valid identification showing proof of their status as a former member of the legislature or as a retired justice, judge, attorney general, assistant attorney general, district attorney, or assistant district attorney. For a former member of the legislature, the valid identification showing proof of status as a former legislator required by the provisions of this Paragraph shall be a legislative badge issued by the Louisiana Legislature that shall include the former member's name, the number of the district that the former member was elected to represent, the years that the former member served in the

1 legislature, and words that indicate the person's status as a former member of the
2 legislature.

3 (2) The retired justice, judge, attorney general, assistant attorney general,
4 district attorney, or assistant district attorney or former member of the legislature
5 shall be qualified annually in the use of firearms by the Council on Peace Officer
6 Standards and Training and have proof of qualification. However, this Subsection
7 shall not apply to a retired justice, judge, attorney general, assistant attorney general,
8 district attorney, or assistant district attorney or to a former member of the legislature
9 who is medically retired based upon any mental impairment, or who has entered a
10 plea of guilty or nolo contendere to or been found guilty of a felony offense. For the
11 purposes of this Subsection, "retired district attorney" or "retired assistant district
12 attorney" shall mean a district attorney or an assistant district attorney receiving
13 retirement benefits from the District Attorneys' Retirement System.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____