### LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

# ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

#### SECOND SESSION

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 681**

Introduced by Schnoor, 15.

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## Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Concealed Handgun Permit Act; to amend
- 2 section 69-2441, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections
- 3 69-2435, 69-2436, 69-2439, and 69-2443, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 4 Supplement, 2014; to change certain violation and penalty
- 5 provisions; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize
- 6 provisions; and to repeal the original sections.
- 7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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- 1 Section 1. Section 69-2435, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2 2014, is amended to read:
- 3 69-2435 A permitholder shall continue to meet the requirements of
- 4 section 69-2433 during the time he or she holds the permit, except as
- 5 provided in subsection (4) of section 69-2443. If, during such time, a
- 6 permitholder does not continue to meet one or more of the requirements,
- 7 the permitholder shall return his or her permit to the Nebraska State
- 8 Patrol for revocation. If a permitholder does not return his or her
- 9 permit, the permitholder is subject to having his or her permit revoked
- 10 under section 69-2439.
- 11 Sec. 2. Section 69-2436, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 12 2014, is amended to read:
- 13 69-2436 (1) A permit to carry a concealed handgun is valid
- 14 throughout the state for a period of five years after the date of
- 15 issuance. The fee for issuing a permit is one hundred dollars.
- 16 (2) The Nebraska State Patrol shall renew a person's permit to carry
- 17 a concealed handgun for a renewal period of five years, subject to
- 18 continuing compliance with the requirements of section 69-2433, except as
- 19 provided in subsection (4) of section 69-2443. The renewal fee is fifty
- 20 dollars, and renewal may be applied for up to four months before
- 21 expiration of a permit to carry a concealed handgun.
- 22 (3) The applicant shall submit the fee with the application to the
- 23 Nebraska State Patrol. The fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer
- 24 for credit to the Nebraska State Patrol Cash Fund.
- 25 (4) On or before June 30, 2007, the Nebraska State Patrol shall
- 26 journal entry, as necessary, all current fiscal year expenses and
- 27 revenue, including investment income, from the Public Safety Cash Fund
- 28 under the Concealed Handgun Permit Act and recode them against the
- 29 Nebraska State Patrol Cash Fund and its program appropriation.
- 30 Sec. 3. Section 69-2439, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 31 2014, is amended to read:

- 1 69-2439 (1) Any peace officer having probable cause to believe that
- 2 a permitholder is no longer in compliance with one or more requirements
- 3 of section 69-2433, except as provided in subsection (4) of section
- 4 69-2443, shall bring an application for revocation of the permit to be
- 5 prosecuted as provided in subsection (2) of this section.
- 6 (2) It is the duty of the county attorney or his or her deputy of
- 7 the county in which such permitholder resides to prosecute a case for the
- 8 revocation of a permit to carry a concealed handgun brought pursuant to
- 9 subsection (1) of this section. In case the county attorney refuses or is
- 10 unable to prosecute the case, the duty to prosecute shall be upon the
- 11 Attorney General or his or her assistant.
- 12 (3) The case shall be prosecuted as a civil case, and the permit
- 13 shall be revoked upon a showing by a preponderance of the evidence that
- 14 the permitholder does not meet one or more of the requirements of section
- 15 69-2433, except as provided in subsection (4) of section 69-2443.
- 16 (4) A person who has his or her permit revoked under this section
- 17 may be fined up to one thousand dollars and shall be charged with the
- 18 costs of the prosecution. The money collected under this subsection as an
- 19 administrative fine shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for
- 20 distribution in accordance with Article VII, section 5, of the
- 21 Constitution of Nebraska.
- Sec. 4. Section 69-2441, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 23 amended to read:
- 24 69-2441 (1)(a) A permitholder may carry a concealed handgun anywhere
- 25 in Nebraska, except any: Police, sheriff, or Nebraska State Patrol
- 26 station or office; detention facility, prison, or jail; courtroom or
- 27 building which contains a courtroom; polling place during a bona fide
- 28 election; meeting of the governing body of a county, public school
- 29 district, municipality, or other political subdivision; meeting of the
- 30 Legislature or a committee of the Legislature; financial institution;
- 31 professional or semiprofessional athletic event; building, grounds,

- 1 vehicle, or sponsored activity or athletic event of any public, private,
- 2 denominational, or parochial elementary, vocational, or secondary school,
- 3 a private postsecondary career school as defined in section 85-1603, a
- 4 community college, or a public or private college, junior college, or
- 5 university; place of worship; hospital, emergency room, or trauma center;
- 6 political rally or fundraiser; establishment having a license issued
- 7 under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act that derives over one-half of its
- 8 total income from the sale of alcoholic liquor; place where the
- 9 possession or carrying of a firearm is prohibited by state or federal
- 10 law; a place or premises where the person, persons, entity, or entities
- 11 in control of the property or employer in control of the property has
- 12 prohibited permitholders from carrying concealed handguns into or onto
- 13 the place or premises; or into or onto any other place or premises where
- 14 handguns are prohibited by state law.
- 15 (b) A financial institution may authorize its security personnel to
- 16 carry concealed handguns in the financial institution while on duty so
- 17 long as each member of the security personnel, as authorized, is in
- 18 compliance with the Concealed Handgun Permit Act and possesses a permit
- 19 to carry a concealed handgun issued pursuant to the act.
- 20 (c) A place of worship may authorize its security personnel to carry
- 21 concealed handguns on its property so long as each member of the security
- 22 personnel, as authorized, is in compliance with the Concealed Handgun
- 23 Permit Act and possesses a permit to carry a concealed handgun issued
- 24 pursuant to the act and written notice is given to the congregation and,
- 25 if the property is leased, the carrying of concealed handguns on the
- 26 property does not violate the terms of any real property lease agreement
- 27 between the place of worship and the lessor.
- 28 (2) If a person, persons, entity, or entities in control of the
- 29 property or an employer in control of the property prohibits a
- 30 permitholder from carrying a concealed handgun into or onto the place or
- 31 premises and such place or premises are open to the public, a

- 1 permitholder does not violate this section unless the person, persons,
- 2 entity, or entities in control of the property or employer in control of
- 3 the property has posted conspicuous notice that carrying a concealed
- 4 handgun is prohibited in or on the place or premises or the person,
- 5 persons, entity, or entities in control of the property or employer in
- 6 control of the property has made a request, directly or through an
- 7 authorized representative or management personnel, that the permitholder
- 8 remove the concealed handgun from the place or premises and the
- 9 permitholder defied the request.
- 10 (3) A permitholder carrying a concealed handgun in a vehicle or on
- 11 his or her person while riding in or on a vehicle into or onto any
- 12 parking area, which is open to the public, used by any location listed in
- 13 subdivision (1)(a) of this section, does not violate this section if,
- 14 prior to exiting the vehicle, the handgun is locked inside the glove box,
- 15 trunk, or other compartment of the vehicle, a storage box securely
- 16 attached to the vehicle, or, if the vehicle is a motorcycle, a hardened
- 17 compartment securely attached to the motorcycle. This subsection does not
- 18 apply to any parking area used by such location when the carrying of a
- 19 concealed handgun into or onto such parking area is prohibited by federal
- 20 law.
- 21 (4) An employer may prohibit employees or other persons who are
- 22 permitholders from carrying concealed handguns in vehicles owned by the
- 23 employer.
- 24 (5) A permitholder shall not carry a concealed handgun while he or
- 25 she is consuming alcohol or while the permitholder has remaining in his
- or her blood, urine, or breath any previously consumed alcohol or any
- 27 controlled substance as defined in section 28-401. A permitholder does
- 28 not violate this subsection if the controlled substance in his or her
- 29 blood, urine, or breath was lawfully obtained and was taken in
- 30 therapeutically prescribed amounts.
- 31 Sec. 5. Section 69-2443, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

- 1 2014, is amended to read:
- 2 69-2443 (1) A permitholder who violates subsection (1) or (2) of
- 3 section 69-2440, subsection (1), (3), (4), or (5) of or section 69-2441,
- 4 or section 69-2442 is guilty of a Class III misdemeanor for the first
- 5 violation and a Class I misdemeanor for any second or subsequent
- 6 violation.
- 7 (2) A permitholder who violates subsection (3) of section 69-2440 is
- 8 guilty of a Class I misdemeanor.
- 9 (3) A permitholder who violates subsection (2) of section 69-2441 is
- 10 guilty of a Class III misdemeanor.
- 11  $(\underline{4} \ 3)$  A permitholder convicted of a violation of section 69-2440 or
- 12 69-2442 may also have his or her permit revoked.
- 13  $(\underline{5} \ 4)$  A permitholder convicted of a violation of section 69-2441
- 14 that occurred on property owned by the state or any political subdivision
- 15 of the state may also have his or her permit revoked. A permitholder
- 16 convicted of a violation of section 69-2441 that did not occur on
- 17 property owned by the state or any political subdivision of the state
- 18 shall not have his or her permit revoked for a first offense but may have
- 19 his or her permit revoked for any second or subsequent offense.
- 20 Sec. 6. Original section 69-2441, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 21 Nebraska, and sections 69-2435, 69-2436, 69-2439, and 69-2443, Revised
- 22 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014, are repealed.