

EMERGENCY REQUEST OF SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 487—ASSEMBLYMEN OSCARSON, WHEELER, WOODBURY, ARMSTRONG, EDWARDS; SILBERKRAUS AND STEWART

MAY 22, 2015

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing firearms. (BDR 5-1279)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to firearms; authorizing the possession of a firearm in a motor vehicle that is on the property of certain educational entities or child care facilities in certain circumstances; authorizing a person who holds a permit to carry a concealed firearm to do so on the property of the Nevada System of Higher Education under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law generally makes it a gross misdemeanor to carry or possess certain  
2 weapons while on the property of the Nevada System of Higher Education, a  
3 private or public school or a child care facility, or while in a vehicle of a private or  
4 public school or a child care facility except in certain circumstances. (NRS  
5 202.265) **Section 2** of this bill adds an exception so that a person who holds a  
6 permit to carry a concealed firearm is not prohibited from possessing a firearm  
7 capable of being concealed upon the person on the property of the Nevada System  
8 of Higher Education, a private or public school or a child care facility, if the firearm  
9 remains out of public view and if the firearm is: (1) inside a motor vehicle that is  
10 occupied or, if the motor vehicle is unoccupied, the motor vehicle is locked; or (2)  
11 stored in a locked container that is affixed securely to the motor vehicle.

12 Existing law also prohibits a person from carrying a concealed firearm while on  
13 the property of the Nevada System of Higher Education, a private or public school  
14 or a child care facility, unless the person holds a permit to carry a concealed firearm  
15 and has written permission from the president of a branch or facility of the System,  
16 the principal of the school or the person designated by the child care facility to give



17 permission to carry or possess a weapon to carry the concealed firearm. (NRS  
18 202.265, 202.3673) **Sections 2 and 3** of this bill authorize a person who holds such  
19 a permit to carry a concealed firearm while on the property of the System.

20 Existing law requires the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to  
21 prescribe rules for the granting of permission to carry or possess a weapon on the  
22 property of the Nevada System of Higher Education. (NRS 396.110) **Section 4** of  
23 this bill provides that: (1) the rules prescribed by the Board must not require a  
24 person who is authorized to carry a concealed firearm to obtain permission to carry  
25 a concealed firearm; and (2) any rules prescribed by the Board before, on or after  
26 July 1, 2015, that require such a person to obtain such permission are void.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 62C.060 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3 62C.060 1. If a child is taken into custody for an unlawful act  
4 that involves the possession, use or threatened use of a firearm, the  
5 child must not be released before a detention hearing is held  
6 pursuant to NRS 62C.040.

7 2. At the detention hearing, the juvenile court shall, if the child  
8 was taken into custody for:

9 (a) Carrying or possessing a firearm while on the property of the  
10 Nevada System of Higher Education, a private or public school or  
11 child care facility, or while in a vehicle of a private or public school  
12 or child care facility, order the child to:

13 (1) Be evaluated by a qualified professional; and

14 (2) Submit to a test to determine whether the child is using  
15 any controlled substance.

16 (b) Committing an unlawful act involving a firearm other than  
17 the act described in paragraph (a), determine whether to order the  
18 child to be evaluated by a qualified professional.

19 3. If the juvenile court orders the child to be evaluated by a  
20 qualified professional or to submit to a test to determine whether the  
21 child is using any controlled substance, the evaluation or the results  
22 from the test must be completed not later than 14 days after the  
23 detention hearing. Until the evaluation or the test is completed, the  
24 child must be:

25 (a) Detained at a facility for the detention of children; or

26 (b) Placed under a program of supervision in the home of the  
27 child that may include electronic surveillance of the child.

28 4. If a child is evaluated by a qualified professional pursuant to  
29 this section, the statements made by the child to the qualified  
30 professional during the evaluation and any evidence directly or  
31 indirectly derived from those statements may not be used for any  
32 purpose in a proceeding which is conducted to prove that the child



1 committed a delinquent act or criminal offense. The provisions of  
2 this subsection do not prohibit the district attorney from proving that  
3 the child committed a delinquent act or criminal offense based upon  
4 evidence obtained from sources or by means that are independent of  
5 the statements made by the child to the qualified professional during  
6 the evaluation.

7 5. As used in this section, "child care facility" has the meaning  
8 ascribed to it in paragraph (a) of subsection ~~1~~ 6 of NRS 202.265.

9 **Sec. 2.** NRS 202.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 202.265 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a  
11 person shall not carry or possess while on the property of the  
12 Nevada System of Higher Education, a private or public school or *a*  
13 child care facility, or while in a vehicle of a private or public school  
14 or *a* child care facility:

- 15 (a) An explosive or incendiary device;  
16 (b) A dirk, dagger or switchblade knife;  
17 (c) A nunchaku or trefoil;  
18 (d) A blackjack or billy club or metal knuckles;  
19 (e) A pistol, revolver or other firearm; or  
20 (f) Any device used to mark any part of a person with paint or  
21 any other substance.

22 2. Any person who violates subsection 1 is guilty of a gross  
23 misdemeanor.

24 3. This section does not prohibit the possession of a weapon  
25 listed in subsection 1 *while* on the property of:

26 (a) ~~1~~ *The Nevada System of Higher Education, a* private or  
27 public school or *a* child care facility by a:

- 28 (1) Peace officer;  
29 (2) School security guard; or  
30 (3) Person having written permission from the president of a

31 branch or facility of the Nevada System of Higher Education or the  
32 principal of the school or the person designated by a child care  
33 facility to give permission to carry or possess the weapon.

34 (b) A child care facility which is located at or in the home of a  
35 natural person by the person who owns or operates the facility so  
36 long as the person resides in the home and the person complies with  
37 any laws governing the possession of such a weapon.

38 4. *This section does not prohibit the possession of a firearm*  
39 *capable of being concealed upon the person by a person who is*  
40 *authorized to carry a concealed firearm pursuant to the provisions*  
41 *of NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, if:*

42 (a) *The person is carrying upon his or her person a concealed*  
43 *firearm on the property of the Nevada System of Higher*  
44 *Education; or*



1 (b) *The motor vehicle that is or was being operated by the*  
2 *person or in which the person is or was a passenger is located on*  
3 *the property of the Nevada System of Higher Education, a private*  
4 *or public school or a child care facility, the firearm remains out of*  
5 *common observation, and the firearm is:*

6 (1) *Inside a motor vehicle, other than a school bus, that is:*

7 (I) *Occupied; or*

8 (II) *Unoccupied and locked; or*

9 (2) *Stored in a locked container that is affixed securely to a*  
10 *motor vehicle, other than a school bus.*

11 5. The provisions of this section apply to a child care facility  
12 located at or in the home of a natural person only during the normal  
13 hours of business of the facility.

14 ~~5.1~~ 6. For the purposes of this section:

15 (a) "Child care facility" means any child care facility that is  
16 licensed pursuant to chapter 432A of NRS or licensed by a city or  
17 county.

18 (b) "Firearm" includes any device from which a metallic  
19 projectile, including any ball bearing or pellet, may be expelled by  
20 means of spring, gas, air or other force.

21 (c) "Nunchaku" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.350.

22 (d) *"School bus" has the meaning ascribed to it in*  
23 *NRS 484A.230.*

24 (e) "Switchblade knife" has the meaning ascribed to it in  
25 NRS 202.350.

26 ~~(e)~~ (f) "Trefoil" has the meaning ascribed to it in  
27 NRS 202.350.

28 ~~(f) "Vehicle" has the meaning ascribed to "school bus" in~~  
29 ~~NRS 484A.230.~~

30 **Sec. 3.** NRS 202.3673 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 202.3673 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2  
32 and 3, a permittee may carry a concealed firearm while the  
33 permittee is on the premises of any public building.

34 2. A permittee shall not carry a concealed firearm while the  
35 permittee is on the premises of a public building that is located on  
36 the property of a public airport.

37 3. A permittee shall not carry a concealed firearm while the  
38 permittee is on the premises of:

39 (a) A public building that is located on the property of a public  
40 school or a child care facility , ~~for the property of the Nevada~~  
41 ~~System of Higher Education,~~ unless the permittee has obtained  
42 written permission to carry a concealed firearm while he or she is on  
43 the premises of the public building pursuant to subparagraph (3) of  
44 paragraph (a) of subsection 3 of NRS 202.265. *If a public school or*  
45 *a child care facility is located on the property of the Nevada*



1 *System of Higher Education, this paragraph must be construed to*  
2 *prohibit only the carrying of a concealed firearm in that portion of*  
3 *a public building and on that portion of the property of the Nevada*  
4 *System of Higher Education that is occupied by the public school*  
5 *or child care facility, assuming that the permittee has not obtained*  
6 *written permission to carry a concealed firearm while he or she is*  
7 *on the premises of the public building pursuant to subparagraph*  
8 *(3) of paragraph (a) of subsection 3 of NRS 202.265 from the*  
9 *principal of the public school or the person designated by the child*  
10 *care facility to give such permission.*

11 (b) A public building that has a metal detector at each public  
12 entrance or a sign posted at each public entrance indicating that no  
13 firearms are allowed in the building, unless the permittee is not  
14 prohibited from carrying a concealed firearm while he or she is on  
15 the premises of the public building pursuant to subsection 4.

16 4. The provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection 3 do not  
17 prohibit:

18 (a) A permittee who is a judge from carrying a concealed  
19 firearm in the courthouse or courtroom in which the judge presides  
20 or from authorizing a permittee to carry a concealed firearm while in  
21 the courtroom of the judge and while traveling to and from the  
22 courtroom of the judge.

23 (b) A permittee who is a prosecuting attorney of an agency or  
24 political subdivision of the United States or of this State from  
25 carrying a concealed firearm while he or she is on the premises of a  
26 public building.

27 (c) A permittee who is employed in the public building from  
28 carrying a concealed firearm while he or she is on the premises of  
29 the public building.

30 (d) A permittee from carrying a concealed firearm while he or  
31 she is on the premises of the public building if the permittee has  
32 received written permission from the person in control of the public  
33 building to carry a concealed firearm while the permittee is on the  
34 premises of the public building.

35 5. A person who violates subsection 2 or 3 is guilty of a  
36 misdemeanor.

37 6. As used in this section:

38 (a) "Child care facility" has the meaning ascribed to it in  
39 paragraph (a) of subsection ~~4~~ 6 of NRS 202.265. *If only part of*  
40 *the building is occupied by a child care facility, the term means*  
41 *only that portion of the building which is so occupied.*

42 (b) "Public building" means any building or office space  
43 occupied by:

44 (1) Any component of the Nevada System of Higher  
45 Education and used for any purpose related to the System; or



1 (2) The Federal Government, the State of Nevada or any  
2 county, city, school district or other political subdivision of the State  
3 of Nevada and used for any public purpose.

4 ➔ If only part of the building is occupied by an entity described in  
5 this ~~subsection,~~ *paragraph*, the term means only that portion of the  
6 building which is so occupied.

7 **Sec. 4.** NRS 396.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 396.110 1. The Board of Regents may prescribe rules for:

- 9 (a) Its own government; and  
10 (b) The government of the System.

11 2. The Board of Regents shall prescribe rules for the granting  
12 of permission to carry or possess a weapon pursuant to NRS  
13 202.265. *The rules prescribed by the Board of Regents pursuant to*  
14 *this subsection must not require a person who is authorized to*  
15 *carry a concealed firearm pursuant to the provisions of NRS*  
16 *202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, to obtain permission to carry a*  
17 *concealed firearm.*

18 3. *Any rules prescribed by the Board of Regents pursuant to*  
19 *subsection 2 before, on or after July 1, 2015, that are inconsistent*  
20 *with the provisions of subsection 2 are void.*

21 **Sec. 5.** The Board of Regents of the University of Nevada  
22 shall, on or before September 1, 2015, prescribe the rules for the  
23 granting of permission to carry or possess a weapon pursuant to  
24 NRS 202.265 required by subsection 2 of NRS 396.110, as amended  
25 by section 4 of this act.

26 **Sec. 6.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.





