

# ACT No. 433

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 8

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95(H)(1) and (K), relative to carrying of weapons; to provide  
3 relative to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons; to provide for exceptions; and  
4 to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:95(H)(1) and (K) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
7 follows:

8 §95. Illegal carrying of weapons

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10 H.(1) Except as provided in Paragraph (A)(5) of this Section and in  
11 Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, the provisions of this Section shall not prohibit  
12 active justices or judges of the supreme court, courts of appeal, district courts, parish  
13 courts, juvenile courts, family courts, city courts, federal courts domiciled in the state  
14 of Louisiana, and traffic courts, members of either house of the legislature, officers  
15 of either house of the legislature, the legislative auditor, designated investigative  
16 auditors, constables, coroners, designated coroner investigators, district attorneys and  
17 designated assistant district attorneys, United States attorneys and assistant United  
18 States attorneys and investigators, the attorney general, designated assistant attorneys  
19 general, city prosecutors, designated assistant city prosecutors, a United States  
20 representative from Louisiana and his designated, employed congressional staffer,  
21 a United States senator from Louisiana and his designated, employed congressional  
22 staffer, and justices of the peace from possessing and concealing a handgun on their

1 person when such persons are qualified annually in the use of firearms by the  
2 Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

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

21 (2) The retired justice, judge, attorney general, assistant attorney general,  
22 district attorney, ~~or~~ assistant district attorney, or former member of the United States  
23 Congress or either house of the legislature shall be qualified annually in the use of  
24 firearms by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training and have proof of  
25 qualification. However, this Subsection shall not apply to a retired justice, judge,  
26 attorney general, assistant attorney general, district attorney, or assistant district  
27 attorney or to a former member of the legislature or the United States Congress who  
28 is medically retired based upon any mental impairment, or who has entered a plea  
29 of guilty or nolo contendere to or been found guilty of a felony offense. For the

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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