

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 43rd Legislature (1991)

SENATE BILL NO. 10

BY: WEEDN

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS; AMENDING

21 O.S. 1981, SECTION 1283, AS LAST AMENDED BY SECTION 1, CHAPTER 185, O.S.L. 1989 (21 O.S. SUPP. 1990, SECTION 1283), WHICH RELATES TO PROHIBITION AGAINST CONVICTED FELONS CARRYING FIREARMS AND EXCEPTIONS; AUTHORIZING PARDONED FELONS TO CARRY FIREARMS; DELETING EXCEPTION TO ALLOW ONLY PARDONED FELONS WHEN CERTIFIED AND EMPLOYED AS PEACE OFFICERS TO CARRY FIREARMS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 1981, Section 1283, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 185, O.S.L. 1989 (21 O.S. Supp. 1990, Section 1283), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1283. It shall be unlawful for any person having previously been convicted of any felony in any court of a state or of the United States, unless such person has received a full and complete pardon from the proper authority, to have in his possession

or under his immediate control, or in any vehicle which he is operating, or in which he is riding as a passenger, any pistol, imitation or homemade pistol, machine gun, sawed-off shotgun or rifle, or any other dangerous or deadly firearm which could be easily concealed on the person, in personal effects or in an automobile; ~~provided any person elected or appointed as a peace officer who has previously been convicted of any felony in any court of a state or of the United States, and who has received a full and complete pardon from the proper authority and has been subsequently certified by the Oklahoma Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training, pursuant to Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and is actively employed as a full-time peace officer on the effective date of this act, shall be permitted to possess a weapon specified in this section for the sole purpose of performing duties of a peace officer.~~ For the purposes of this section, "sawed-off shotgun or rifle" shall mean any shotgun or rifle which has been shortened to any length.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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