

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 235

By: Fisher of the Senate

and

York of the House

An Act relating to firearms; amending 21 O.S. 1991, Section 1283, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 151, O.S.L. 1992 (21 O.S. Supp. 1992, Section 1283), which relates to convicted felons carrying firearms; deleting language; allowing any convicted felon having a full pardon to possess a firearm for a limited extent; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 1991, Section 1283, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 151, O.S.L. 1992 (21 O.S. Supp. 1992, Section 1283), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1283. ~~A.~~ 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 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,~~ for every felony conviction and who has not been convicted of any felony act after receiving such pardon shall be permitted to possess a weapon specified in this section ~~for the sole purpose of performing duties of a peace officer~~ to the extent necessary for pursuit of an occupation requiring the possession of a firearm. For the purposes of this section, "sawed-off shotgun or rifle" shall mean any shotgun or rifle which has been shortened to any length.

~~B.~~ Any person who has previously been convicted of a nonviolent felony in any court in the State of Oklahoma, and who has received a full and complete pardon from the proper authority shall be permitted to possess a weapon specified in this section to the extent necessary for the pursuit of gunsmithing or firearm repair, provided such person has graduated from a gunsmithing school conducted by an institution whose accreditation is recognized by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and who is engaged in the occupation of gunsmithing or firearm repair.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective September 1, 1993.

Passed the Senate the 10th day of May, 1993.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 24th day of May, 1993.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives