

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 1479

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.6, as amended by Section 11, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 1289.6), which relates to the carrying of firearms; authorizing the carrying of knives under certain conditions; prohibiting disarmament or physical restraint by law enforcement under certain circumstances; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.6, as amended by Section 11, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 1289.6), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1289.6

CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH FIREARMS OR KNIVES MAY BE CARRIED

A. A person shall be permitted to carry knives, loaded and unloaded shotguns, rifles and pistols, open and not concealed and without a handgun license as authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act pursuant to the following conditions:

1. When hunting animals or fowl;

1 2. During competition in or practicing in a safety or hunter
2 safety class, target shooting, skeet, trap or other recognized
3 sporting events;

4 3. During participation in or in preparation for a military
5 function of the state military forces to be defined as the Oklahoma
6 Army or Air National Guard, Federal Military Reserve and active
7 military forces;

8 4. During participation in or in preparation for a recognized
9 police function of either a municipal, county or state government as
10 functioning police officials;

11 5. During a practice for or a performance for entertainment
12 purposes;

13 6. For lawful self-defense and self-protection or any other
14 legitimate purpose in or on property that is owned, leased, rented,
15 or otherwise legally controlled by the person and in the absence of
16 reasonable and articulable suspicion of other criminal activity in
17 or on property that is owned, leased, rented or otherwise legally
18 controlled by the person, an individual carrying an unconcealed or
19 concealed weapon shall not be disarmed or physically restrained by
20 any law enforcement officer; or

21 7. For any legitimate purpose not in violation of the Oklahoma
22 Firearms Act of 1971 or any legislative enactment regarding the use,
23 ownership and control of firearms.

1 B. A person shall be permitted to carry unloaded shotguns,
2 rifles and pistols, open and not concealed and without a handgun
3 license as authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act pursuant to
4 the following conditions:

5 1. When going to or from the person's private residence or
6 vehicle or a vehicle in which the person is riding as a passenger to
7 a place designated or authorized for firearms repairs or
8 reconditioning, or for firearms trade, sale, or barter, or gunsmith,
9 or hunting animals or fowl, or hunter safety course, or target
10 shooting, or skeet or trap shooting or any recognized firearms
11 activity or event and while in such places; or

12 2. For any legitimate purpose not in violation of the Oklahoma
13 Firearms Act of 1971.

14 C. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to
15 prohibit educational or recreational activities, exhibitions,
16 displays or shows involving the use or display of rifles, shotguns
17 or pistols or other weapons if the activity is approved by the
18 property owner and sponsor of the activity.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.
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