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SENATE BILL 1512

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to firearms; amending 21 O.S. 2021, Sections 1272 and 1277, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2025 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025, Section 1277), which relate to unlawful carry; allowing concealed carry at certain location; construing provisions; updating statutory language; allowing certain government entities to authorize concealed carry in certain locations; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1272, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1272.

UNLAWFUL CARRY

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall be unlawful for any person to carry upon or about his or her person, or

1 in a purse or other container belonging to the person, any pistol,
2 revolver, shotgun, or rifle, whether loaded or unloaded, or any
3 blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, metal knuckles, or any other
4 offensive weapon, whether such weapon be concealed or unconcealed,
5 except this section shall not prohibit:

6 1. The proper use of guns and knives for self-defense, hunting,
7 fishing, or educational or recreational purposes;

8 2. The carrying or use of weapons in a manner otherwise
9 permitted by statute or authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act;

10 3. The carrying, possession, and use of any weapon by a peace
11 officer or other person authorized by law to carry a weapon in the
12 performance of official duties and in compliance with the rules of
13 the employing agency;

14 4. The carrying or use of weapons in a courthouse by a district
15 judge, associate district judge, or special district judge within
16 this state, who is in possession of a valid handgun license issued
17 pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and
18 whose name appears on a list maintained by the Administrative
19 Director of the Courts;

20 5. The carrying and use of firearms and other weapons provided
21 in this subsection when used for the purpose of living history
22 reenactment. For purposes of this paragraph, "living history
23 reenactment" means depiction of historical characters, scenes,
24 historical life, or events for entertainment, education, or

1 historical documentation through the wearing or use of period,
2 historical, antique, or vintage clothing, accessories, firearms,
3 weapons, and other implements of the historical period; or

4 6. The transporting by vehicle on a public roadway or the
5 carrying of a firearm, concealed or unconcealed, loaded or unloaded,
6 by a person who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older or by a
7 person who is eighteen (18) years of age but not yet twenty-one (21)
8 years of age and the person is a member or veteran of the United
9 States Armed Forces, Reserves, or National Guard or was discharged
10 under honorable conditions from the United States Armed Forces,
11 Reserves, or National Guard, and the person is otherwise not
12 disqualified from the possession or purchase of a firearm under
13 state or federal law and is not carrying the firearm in furtherance
14 of a crime.

15 Except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this
16 title, a person who has been convicted of any one of the following
17 offenses in this state or a violation of the equivalent law of
18 another state:

- 19 a. assault and battery pursuant to the provisions of
20 Section 644 of this title which caused serious
21 physical injury to the victim,
22 b. aggravated assault and battery pursuant to the
23 provisions of Section 646 of this title,
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- c. assault and battery that qualifies as domestic abuse as defined in Section 644 of this title,
- d. stalking pursuant to the provisions of Section 1173 of this title,
- e. a violation of an order issued under the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act or a domestic abuse protection order issued by another state, or
- f. a violation relating to illegal drug use or possession under the provisions of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act,

shall be prohibited from carrying a firearm under the provisions of this paragraph. Any person who carries a firearm in the manner provided for in this paragraph shall be prohibited from carrying the firearm into any of the places prohibited in subsection A of Section 1277 of this title or any other place currently prohibited by law. Nothing in this section shall modify or otherwise change where a person may legally carry a firearm.

B. It shall be lawful for a person in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or a valid armed security license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act to carry a concealed handgun, whether loaded or unloaded, in the State Capitol Building. When such person enters the State Capitol Building through a controlled access point, the

1 person shall be authorized to proceed through the controlled access
2 point with a concealed handgun upon presentation of the valid
3 handgun license or valid armed security license to a peace officer
4 or security guard. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to
5 authorize a peace officer or security guard to remove or inspect a
6 handgun that is lawfully carried by a person pursuant to the
7 provisions of this subsection or to restrain any person lawfully
8 carrying a concealed handgun pursuant to the provisions of this
9 subsection.

10 C. Any person convicted of violating ~~the foregoing provision~~
11 subsections A or B of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor
12 punishable as provided in Section 1276 of this title.

13 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1277, as
14 amended by Section 2, Chapter 251, O.S.L. 2025 (21 O.S. Supp. 2025,
15 Section 1277), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1277.

17 UNLAWFUL CARRY IN CERTAIN PLACES

18 A. It shall be unlawful for any person, including a person in
19 possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the
20 provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry any concealed
21 or unconcealed firearm into any of the following places:

22 1. Any building or office space which is owned or leased by a
23 city, town, county, or state governmental authority for the purpose
24 of conducting business with the public. However, the governing body

1 of a the city, ~~or~~ town, county, or state may authorize the concealed
2 carry of handguns into any building, ~~or~~ office space, or vehicle
3 that is owned or leased by a the city, ~~or~~ town, county, or state
4 governmental authority, except those places listed in paragraph 2 of
5 this subsection;

6 2. Any courthouse, courtroom, prison, jail, detention facility,
7 or any facility used to process, hold, or house arrested persons,
8 prisoners, or persons alleged delinquent or adjudicated delinquent,
9 except as provided in Section 21 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma
10 Statutes;

11 3. Any public or private elementary or public or private
12 secondary school, except as provided in subsections C and D of this
13 section;

14 4. Any publicly owned or operated sports arena or venue during
15 a professional sporting event, unless allowed by the event holder;

16 5. Any place where gambling is authorized by law, unless
17 allowed by the property owner;

18 6. Any other place specifically prohibited by law; and

19 7. Any property set aside by a county, city, town, public trust
20 with a county, city, or town as a beneficiary, or state governmental
21 authority for an event that is secured with minimum security
22 provisions. For purposes of this paragraph, a minimum security
23 provision consists of a location that is secured utilizing the
24 following:

- a. a metallic-style security fence that is at least eight (8) feet in height that encompasses the property and is secured in such a way as to deter unauthorized entry,
- b. controlled access points staffed by a uniformed, commissioned peace officer, and
- c. a metal detector whereby persons walk or otherwise travel with their property through or by the metal detector.

B. It shall be lawful for a person to carry a concealed or unconcealed firearm on the following properties:

1. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, by a city, town, county, or state governmental authority;

2. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, which is open to the public, or by any entity engaged in gambling authorized by law;

3. Any property adjacent to a building or office space in which concealed or unconcealed weapons are prohibited by the provisions of this section;

4. Any property designated by a city, town, county, or state governmental authority as a park, recreational area, wildlife refuge, wildlife management area, or fairgrounds; provided, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to authorize any entry by a

1 person in possession of a concealed or unconcealed firearm into any
2 building, office space, or event which is specifically prohibited by
3 the provisions of subsection A of this section;

4 5. Any property set aside by a public or private elementary or
5 secondary school for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether
6 attended or unattended; provided, however, the firearm shall be
7 stored and hidden from view in a locked motor vehicle when the motor
8 vehicle is left unattended on school property; and

9 6. Any public property set aside temporarily by a county, city,
10 town, public trust with a county, city, or town as a beneficiary, or
11 state governmental authority for the holder of an event permit that
12 is without minimum security provisions, as such term is defined in
13 paragraph 7 of subsection A of this section; provided, the carry of
14 firearms within the permitted event area shall be limited to
15 concealed carry of a handgun unless otherwise authorized by the
16 holder of the event permit.

17 Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection or
18 subsection C of this section shall be construed to authorize or
19 allow any person in control of any place described in subsection A
20 of this section to establish any policy or rule that has the effect
21 of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a handgun license
22 or otherwise in lawful possession of a firearm from carrying or
23 possessing the firearm on the property described in this subsection.
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1 C. A concealed or unconcealed weapon may be carried onto
2 private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by any
3 private school for transportation of students or teachers by a
4 person who is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act,
5 provided a policy has been adopted by the governing entity of the
6 private school that authorizes the carrying and possession of a
7 weapon on private school property or in any school bus or vehicle
8 used by a private school. Except for acts of gross negligence or
9 willful or wanton misconduct, a governing entity of a private school
10 that adopts a policy which authorizes the possession of a weapon on
11 private school property, a school bus, or a vehicle used by the
12 private school shall not be subject to liability for any injuries
13 arising from the adoption of the policy. The provisions of this
14 subsection shall not apply to claims pursuant to the Administrative
15 Workers' Compensation Act.

16 D. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section,
17 a board of education of a school district may adopt a policy
18 pursuant to Section 5-149.2 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes to
19 authorize the carrying of a handgun onto school property by school
20 personnel specifically designated by the board of education,
21 provided such personnel either:

22 1. Possess a valid armed security guard license as provided for
23 in the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act; or
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1 2. Hold a valid reserve peace officer certification as provided
2 for in Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

3 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to restrict
4 authority granted elsewhere in law to carry firearms.

5 E. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A of this
6 section, on any property designated as a municipal zoo or park of
7 any size that is owned, leased, operated, or managed by:

8 1. A public trust created pursuant to the provisions of Section
9 176 of Title 60 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or

10 2. A nonprofit entity,
11 an individual shall be allowed to carry a concealed handgun but not
12 openly carry a handgun on the property.

13 F. Any person violating the provisions of paragraph 2 or 3 of
14 subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a
15 misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty
16 Dollars (\$250.00). A person violating any other provision of
17 subsection A of this section may be denied entrance onto the
18 property or removed from the property. If the person refuses to
19 leave the property and a peace officer is summoned, the person may
20 be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty
21 Dollars (\$250.00).

22 G. No person in possession of a valid handgun license issued
23 pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or who
24 is carrying or in possession of a firearm as otherwise permitted by

1 law or who is carrying or in possession of a machete, blackjack,
2 loaded cane, hand chain, or metal knuckles shall be authorized to
3 carry the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, or
4 metal knuckles into or upon any college, university, or technology
5 center school property, except as provided in this subsection. For
6 purposes of this subsection, the following property shall not be
7 construed to be college, university, or technology center school
8 property:

9 1. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any motor
10 vehicle, whether attended or unattended, provided the firearm,
11 machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, or metal knuckles are
12 carried or stored as required by law and the firearm, machete,
13 blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, or metal knuckles are not
14 removed from the motor vehicle without the prior consent of the
15 college or university president or technology center school
16 administrator while the vehicle is on any college, university, or
17 technology center school property;

18 2. Any property authorized for possession or use of firearms,
19 machetes, blackjacks, loaded canes, hand chains, or metal knuckles
20 by college, university, or technology center school policy; and

21 3. Any property authorized by the written consent of the
22 college or university president or technology center school
23 administrator, provided the written consent is carried with the
24 firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, or metal
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1 knuckles and the valid handgun license while on college, university,
2 or technology center school property.

3 The college, university, or technology center school may notify
4 the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation within ten (10) days of a
5 violation of any provision of this subsection by a licensee. Upon
6 receipt of a written notification of violation, the Bureau shall
7 give a reasonable notice to the licensee and hold a hearing. At the
8 hearing, upon a determination that the licensee has violated any
9 provision of this subsection, the licensee may be subject to an
10 administrative fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may
11 have the handgun license suspended for three (3) months.

12 Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection shall be
13 construed to authorize or allow any college, university, or
14 technology center school to establish any policy or rule that has
15 the effect of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a
16 handgun license or any person in lawful possession of a firearm,
17 machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, or metal knuckles from
18 possession of a firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, hand
19 chain, or metal knuckles in places described in paragraphs 1, 2, and
20 3 of this subsection. Nothing contained in any provision of this
21 subsection shall be construed to limit the authority of any college,
22 university, or technology center school in this state from taking
23 administrative action against any student for any violation of any
24 provision of this subsection.

1 H. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the
2 following:

3 1. Any peace officer or any person authorized by law to carry a
4 firearm in the course of employment;

5 2. Any district judge, associate district judge, or special
6 district judge, who is in possession of a valid handgun license
7 issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act
8 and whose name appears on a list maintained by the Administrative
9 Director of the Courts, when acting in the course and scope of
10 employment within the courthouses of the county that falls within
11 the jurisdiction of the district judge, associate district judge, or
12 special district judge;

13 3. Any private investigator with a firearms authorization when
14 acting in the course and scope of employment;

15 4. Any elected official of a county, who is in possession of a
16 valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the
17 Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, may carry a concealed handgun when acting
18 in the performance of his or her duties within the courthouses of
19 the county in which he or she was elected. The provisions of this
20 paragraph shall not allow the elected county official to carry the
21 handgun into a courtroom;

22 5. The sheriff of any county may authorize certain employees of
23 the county, who possess a valid handgun license issued pursuant to
24 the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry a
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1 concealed handgun when acting in the course and scope of employment
2 within the courthouse in the county in which the person is employed.
3 Nothing in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall prohibit the sheriff
4 from requiring additional instruction or training before granting
5 authorization to carry a concealed handgun within the courthouse.
6 The provisions of this paragraph and of paragraph 6 of this
7 subsection shall not allow the county employee to carry the handgun
8 into a courtroom, sheriff's office, adult or juvenile jail, or any
9 other prisoner detention area;

10 6. The board of county commissioners of any county may
11 authorize certain employees of the county, who possess a valid
12 handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma
13 Self-Defense Act, to carry a concealed handgun when acting in the
14 course and scope of employment on county annex facilities or grounds
15 surrounding the county courthouse that fall within the jurisdiction
16 of the county employees; and

17 7. Any municipal judge, who is in possession of a valid handgun
18 license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-
19 Defense Act, when acting in the course and scope of employment
20 within the courthouses of the municipality that are within the
21 jurisdiction of the municipal judge.

22 I. 1. Any elected official of a municipality or any municipal
23 employee approved by the governing body of a municipality, who
24 possesses a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions

1 of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, may carry a concealed handgun when
2 acting in the performance of his or her official duties within
3 municipal buildings that are within the jurisdiction of the elected
4 official or municipal employee.

5 2. For purposes of this subsection, a firearm may not be
6 present inside a firearm-prohibited location, which shall include:

7 a. any building or office space on municipally owned or
8 leased property designated as a firearm-prohibited
9 location by the municipality, municipal trust, or
10 municipal authority, and

11 b. any police department, courthouse, courtroom, prison,
12 jail, detention facility, or any facility used to
13 process, hold, or house arrested persons, prisoners,
14 or persons alleged delinquent or adjudicated
15 delinquent.

16 3. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require an
17 elected official or designated employee of the municipality to carry
18 a firearm as a condition of employment or service with the
19 municipality.

20 J. For the purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means any
21 automobile, truck, minivan, sport utility vehicle, or motorcycle, as
22 defined in Section 1-135 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
23 equipped with a locked accessory container within or affixed to the
24 motorcycle.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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