

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 145

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON

SEIZURES/SALES: Provides relative to the general exemptions of certain property from seizure

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:3881(A)(4)(c), to enact R.S. 13:3881(A)(4)(g), and to repeal
3 R.S. 13:3881(A)(2)(e), relative to exemptions from seizure; to provide a general
4 exemption from seizure for all firearms and firearm accessories not to exceed a
5 certain value; to repeal the exemption of one firearm of a certain value necessary for
6 the exercise of a trade, calling, or profession; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 13:3881(A)(4)(c) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
9 13:3881(A)(4)(g) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §3881. General exemptions from seizure

11 A. The following income or property of a debtor is exempt from seizure
12 under any writ, mandate, or process whatsoever, except as otherwise herein
13 provided:

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15 (4)

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17 (c) His ~~arms and~~ military accoutrements.

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1 (g) All firearms, arms and ammunition, and accessories thereto, not
2 exceeding a total maximum value of two thousand five hundred dollars, which may
3 be used for any purpose.

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5 Section 2. R.S. 13:3881(A)(2)(e) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Exempts from seizure all firearms and firearm accessories, not exceeding a total value of \$2,500, owned by a debtor.

Present law provides general exemptions from seizure under any writ, mandate, or process for specified income or property of a debtor.

Present law includes the debtor's arms and military accoutrements in the list of properties exempt from seizure.

Proposed law specifies that all of the debtor's firearms, arms and ammunition, and accessories thereto, not exceeding a total maximum value of \$2,500, are exempt from seizure.

Present law provides an exemption from seizure of one firearm necessary for the exercise of a trade, calling, or profession with a maximum value of \$500.

Proposed law repeals present law.

(Amends R.S. 13:3881(A)(4)(c); Adds R.S. 13:3881(A)(4)(g); Repeals R.S. 13:3881(A)(2)(e))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the original bill.

1. Added provision exempting from seizure a total value of \$2,500 of all firearms, arms and ammunition, and accessories.