

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 391

To direct the Secretary of Defense to establish an authority to issue permits to certain members of the Armed Forces who seek to carry concealed firearms while on military installations.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 17, 2023

Mr. STEUBE (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, and Mr. DUNCAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Safe Bases Act of  
5 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. PERMITS TO CARRY CONCEALED FIREARMS ON**  
2 **MILITARY INSTALLATIONS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than one year after the  
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
5 shall establish a single element of the Department of De-  
6 fense to issue, upon request by a covered member, a per-  
7 mit that authorizes that covered member to carry a con-  
8 cealed firearm while on any military installation.

9 (b) **COVERED MEMBER DEFINED.**—In this section,  
10 the term “covered member” means a member of the  
11 Armed Forces who—

12 (1) is not prohibited from purchasing, owning,  
13 or possessing a firearm under section 922 of title  
14 18, United States Code; and

15 (2) is on active duty.

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