

Representative Steve Eliason proposes the following substitute bill:

CONCEAL CARRY FIREARMS AMENDMENTS

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies provisions related to carrying a concealed firearm and suicide prevention.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:



- 25 ▶ provides that an individual who is 21 years old or older, and may lawfully possess a
- 26 firearm, may carry a concealed firearm in a public area without a permit; and
- 27 ▶ provides for the transfer of unused funds in the Concealed Weapons Account to the
- 28 Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health for suicide prevention efforts.

29 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

30 None

31 **Other Special Clauses:**

32 None

33 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

34 AMENDS:

35 **53-5-707**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 440

36 **76-10-504**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 406

37 **76-10-505**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 362

38 **76-10-523**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 39, 375, and 458



40 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

41 Section 1. Section **53-5-707** is amended to read:

42 **53-5-707. Concealed firearm permit -- Fees -- Concealed Weapons Account.**

43 (1) (a) An applicant for a concealed firearm permit shall pay a fee of \$25 at the time of

44 filing an application.

45 (b) A nonresident applicant shall pay an additional \$10 for the additional cost of

46 processing a nonresident application.

47 (c) The bureau shall waive the initial fee for an applicant who is a law enforcement

48 officer under Section **53-13-103**.

49 (d) Concealed firearm permit renewal fees for active duty service members and the

50 spouse of an active duty service member shall be waived.

51 (2) The renewal fee for the permit is \$20. A nonresident shall pay an additional \$5 for

52 the additional cost of processing a nonresidential renewal.

53 (3) The replacement fee for the permit is \$10.

54 (4) (a) The late fee for the renewal permit is \$7.50.

55 (b) As used in this section, "late fee" means the fee charged by the bureau for a renewal

56 submitted on a permit that has been expired for more than 30 days but less than one year.

57 (5) (a) There is created a restricted account within the General Fund known as the
58 "Concealed Weapons Account."

59 (b) The account shall be funded from fees collected under this section and Section
60 [53-5-707.5](#).

61 (c) Funds in the account may only be used to cover costs relating to:

62 (i) the issuance of concealed firearm permits under this part; or

63 (ii) the programs described in Subsections [62A-15-103\(3\)](#) and [76-10-526\(15\)](#) and
64 Section [62A-15-1101](#).

65 (d) No later than 90 days after the end of the fiscal year all excess funds in the account
66 shall be transferred to the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health to be used in suicide
67 prevention efforts related to educating the public about the safe storage of firearms.

68 (6) (a) The bureau may collect any fees charged by an outside agency for additional
69 services required by statute as a prerequisite for issuance of a permit.

70 (b) The bureau shall promptly forward any fees collected under Subsection (6)(a) to the
71 appropriate agency.

72 (7) The bureau shall make an annual report in writing to the Legislature's Law
73 Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee on the amount and use of the fees
74 collected under this section and Section [53-5-707.5](#).

75 Section 2. Section **76-10-504** is amended to read:

76 **76-10-504. Carrying concealed firearm -- Penalties.**

77 (1) Except as provided in [~~Section~~] Sections [76-10-503](#) and [76-10-523](#) and in
78 Subsections (2), (3), and (4), a person who carries a concealed firearm, as defined in Section
79 [76-10-501](#), including an unloaded firearm on his or her person or one that is readily accessible
80 for immediate use which is not securely encased, as defined in this part, in or on a place other
81 than the person's residence, property, a vehicle in the person's lawful possession, or a vehicle,
82 with the consent of the individual who is lawfully in possession of the vehicle, or business
83 under the person's control is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

84 (2) A person who carries a concealed firearm that is a loaded firearm in violation of
85 Subsection (1) is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

86 (3) A person who carries concealed an unlawfully possessed short barreled shotgun or

87 a short barreled rifle is guilty of a second degree felony.

88 (4) If the concealed firearm is used in the commission of a violent felony as defined in
89 Section [76-3-203.5](#), and the person is a party to the offense, the person is guilty of a second
90 degree felony.

91 (5) Nothing in Subsection (1) or (2) prohibits a person engaged in the lawful taking of
92 protected or unprotected wildlife as defined in Title 23, Wildlife Resources Code of Utah, from
93 carrying a concealed firearm as long as the taking of wildlife does not occur:

94 (a) within the limits of a municipality in violation of that municipality's ordinances; or

95 (b) upon the highways of the state as defined in Section [41-6a-102](#).

96 Section 3. Section **76-10-505** is amended to read:

97 **76-10-505. Carrying loaded firearm in vehicle or on street.**

98 (1) Unless otherwise authorized by law, a person may not carry a loaded firearm:

99 (a) in or on a vehicle, unless:

100 (i) the vehicle is in the person's lawful possession; or

101 (ii) the person is carrying the loaded firearm in a vehicle with the consent of the person
102 lawfully in possession of the vehicle;

103 (b) on a public street; or

104 (c) in a posted prohibited area.

105 (2) Subsection (1)(a) does not apply to a minor under 18 years of age, since a minor
106 under 18 years of age may not carry a loaded firearm in or on a vehicle.

107 (3) Notwithstanding [~~Subsection~~] Subsections (1)(a)(i) and (ii), and Subsection
108 [73-10-523\(5\)](#), a person may not possess a loaded rifle, shotgun, or muzzle-loading rifle in a
109 vehicle.

110 (4) A violation of this section is a class B misdemeanor.

111 Section 4. Section **76-10-523** is amended to read:

112 **76-10-523. Persons exempt from weapons laws.**

113 (1) Except for Sections [76-10-506](#), [76-10-508](#), and [76-10-508.1](#), this part and Title 53,
114 Chapter 5, Part 7, Concealed Firearm Act, do not apply to any of the following:

115 (a) a United States marshal;

116 (b) a federal official required to carry a firearm;

117 (c) a peace officer of this or any other jurisdiction;

- 118 (d) a law enforcement official as defined and qualified under Section 53-5-711;
- 119 (e) a judge as defined and qualified under Section 53-5-711;
- 120 (f) a court commissioner as defined and qualified under Section 53-5-711; or
- 121 (g) a common carrier while engaged in the regular and ordinary transport of firearms as
- 122 merchandise.

123 (2) Notwithstanding Subsection (1), the provisions of Section 76-10-528 apply to any
124 individual listed in Subsection (1) who is not employed by a state or federal agency or political
125 subdivision that has adopted a policy or rule regarding the use of dangerous weapons.

126 (3) Subsections 76-10-504(1) and (2), and Section 76-10-505 do not apply to:

127 (a) an individual to whom a permit to carry a concealed firearm has been issued:

128 (i) pursuant to Section 53-5-704; or

129 (ii) by another state or county; or

130 (b) a person who is issued a protective order under Subsection 78B-7-603(1)(b) or
131 78B-7-404(1)(b), unless the person is a restricted person as described in Subsection
132 76-10-503(1), for a period of 120 days after the day on which the person is issued the
133 protective order.

134 (4) Except for Sections 76-10-503, 76-10-506, 76-10-508, and 76-10-508.1, this part
135 and Title 53, Chapter 5, Part 7, Concealed Firearm Act, do not apply to a nonresident traveling
136 in or through the state, provided that any firearm is:

137 (a) unloaded; and

138 (b) securely encased as defined in Section 76-10-501.

139 (5) Subsection 76-10-504(1) does not apply to a person 21 years old or older who may
140 otherwise lawfully possess a firearm.