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A Bill

SENATE BILL 573

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING PLACES WHERE A PERSON MAY POSSESS
9 AND CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN WITH A LICENSE TO CARRY
10 A CONCEALED HANDGUN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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13 CONCERNING PLACES WHERE A PERSON MAY
14 POSSESS AND CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN
15 WITH A LICENSE TO CARRY A CONCEALED
16 HANDGUN.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-73-306(18), concerning a place where a
23 person may possess and carry a concealed handgun with a license to carry a
24 concealed handgun, is amended to read as follows:

25 (18)(A)(i) Any place at the discretion of the person or entity
26 exercising control over the physical location of the place by placing at each
27 entrance to the place a written notice clearly readable at a distance of not
28 less than ten feet (10') that "carrying a handgun is prohibited".

29 (ii)(a) If the place does not have a roadway
30 entrance, there shall be a written notice placed anywhere upon the premises
31 of the place.

32 (b) In addition to the requirement of
33 subdivision (18)(A)(ii)(a) of this section, there shall be at least one (1)
34 written notice posted within every three (3) acres of a place with no roadway
35 entrance.

36 (iii) A written notice as described in subdivision



1 (18)(A)(i) of this section is not required for a private home.

2 (iv) Any licensee entering a private home shall
3 notify the occupant that the licensee is carrying a concealed handgun.

4 (B) Subdivision (18)(A) of this section does not apply if
5 the place is:

6 (i) A public university, public college, or
7 community college, as defined in § 5-73-322, and the licensee is carrying a
8 concealed handgun as provided under § 5-73-322;

9 (ii) A publicly owned and maintained parking lot if
10 the licensee is carrying a concealed handgun in his or her motor vehicle or
11 has left the concealed handgun in his or her locked and unattended motor
12 vehicle; ~~or~~

13 (iii) A parking lot of a private employer and the
14 licensee is carrying a concealed handgun as provided under § 5-73-326; or

15 (iv) A public building owned or operated by a
16 county, municipal, or other governmental entity and the licensee is carrying
17 a concealed handgun as provided under § 5-73-322(g) and (h).

18 (C) The person or entity exercising control over the
19 physical location of a place that does not use his, her, or its authority
20 under this subdivision (18) to prohibit a person from possessing a concealed
21 handgun is immune from a claim for monetary damages arising from or related
22 to the decision not to place at each entrance to the place a written notice
23 under this subdivision (18);

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