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3 SENATE BILL 1265

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to firearms; amending 21 O.S. 2011,  
8 Section 1272, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter  
9 217, O.S.L. 2016 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 1272),  
10 which relates to unlawful carry; modifying  
11 inclusions; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as  
12 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 165, O.S.L. 2017  
13 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 1277), which relates to  
14 unlawful carry in certain places; modifying  
15 requirements; clarifying language; amending 21 O.S.  
16 2011, Section 1283, as last amended by Section 1,  
17 Chapter 179, O.S.L. 2014 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section  
18 1283), which relates to convicted felons and  
19 delinquents; stating certain preclusions; amending 21  
20 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.6, as last amended by Section  
21 1, Chapter 268, O.S.L. 2016 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017,  
22 Section 1289.6), which relates to conditions under  
23 which firearms may be carried; modifying certain  
24 allowable carry; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section  
1289.7, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 259, O.S.L.  
2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 1289.7), which  
relates to firearms in vehicles; modifying situations  
where certain carry in vehicles is permissible;  
requiring certain disclosure; amending 21 O.S. 2011,  
Section 1289.13A, as amended by Section 19, Chapter  
259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section  
1289.13A), which relates to improper transportation  
of firearms; clarifying language; stating certain  
allowances; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.23,  
as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 210, O.S.L.  
2016 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 1289.23), which  
relates to concealed firearm for off-duty police  
officers; clarifying language; amending 21 O.S. 2011,  
Section 1289.24, as last amended by Section 1,  
Chapter 241, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section  
1289.24), which relates to firearm regulation;

1 clarifying language; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section  
2 1290.1, which relates to the short title; modifying  
3 title to conform; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section  
4 1290.3, as amended by Section 24, Chapter 259, O.S.L.  
5 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 1290.3), which  
6 relates to the authority to issue license; stating  
7 certain effectiveness; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section  
8 1290.22, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 358,  
9 O.S.L. 2017 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 1290.22),  
10 which relates to business owner's rights; modifying  
11 certain requirement; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1272, as  
last amended by Section 1, Chapter 217, O.S.L. 2016 (21 O.S. Supp.  
2017, Section 1272), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1272.

UNLAWFUL CARRY

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to carry upon or about  
his or her person, or in a purse or other container belonging to the  
person, any pistol, revolver, shotgun or rifle whether loaded or  
unloaded or any blackjack, loaded cane, billy, hand chain, metal  
knuckles, or any other offensive weapon, whether such weapon be  
concealed or unconcealed, except this section shall not prohibit:

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

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

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

5           4. The carrying or use of weapons in a courthouse by a district  
6 judge, associate district judge or special district judge within  
7 this state, who is in possession of a valid handgun license issued  
8 pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and  
9 whose name appears on a list maintained by the Administrative  
10 Director of the Courts; ~~or~~

11           5. The carrying and use of firearms and other weapons provided  
12 in this subsection when used for the purpose of living history  
13 reenactment. For purposes of this paragraph, "living history  
14 reenactment" means depiction of historical characters, scenes,  
15 historical life or events for entertainment, education, or  
16 historical documentation through the wearing or use of period,  
17 historical, antique or vintage clothing, accessories, firearms,  
18 weapons, and other implements of the historical period; or

19           6. The carrying of firearms pursuant to the definitions  
20 provided for in Sections 1289.3, 1289.4, 1289.5 and subsection A of  
21 Section 1290.2 of this title by a person who is a legal resident,  
22 twenty-one (21) years of age or older, is not a convicted felon or  
23 who is otherwise not disqualified from the possession or legal  
24 purchase of a firearm under state or federal law and is not involved

1 in a crime. Any person who carries a firearm in the manner provided  
2 for in this paragraph shall be prohibited from carrying the firearm  
3 into any of the places prohibited in subsection A of Section 1277 of  
4 this title. In addition, any person that has been dishonorably  
5 discharged from the armed forces, indicted for a felony offense or  
6 convicted of the following offenses in this state or another state:

- 7 a. assault and battery which caused serious physical  
8 injury to the victim or any second or subsequent  
9 assault and battery,
- 10 b. aggravated assault and battery,
- 11 c. stalking pursuant to Section 1173 of this title, or a  
12 similar law of another state,
- 13 d. violation of the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act or  
14 any violation of a victim protection order of another  
15 state,
- 16 e. violation relating to illegal drug use or possession,  
17 or
- 18 f. an act of domestic abuse as defined by Section 644 of  
19 this title or an act of domestic assault and battery  
20 or any comparable acts under the law of another state,

21 shall be prohibited from carrying a firearm under the provisions of  
22 this paragraph. Persons who have been deemed mentally incompetent  
23 or have been involuntarily committed due to a mental illness,  
24 condition or disorder as provided in Section 1290.27 of this title

1 or who have been precluded from possessing a firearm under state or  
2 federal law shall also be prohibited from carrying a firearm under  
3 the provisions of this paragraph.

4 B. Any person convicted of violating the foregoing provision  
5 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in Section  
6 1276 of this title.

7 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as  
8 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 165, O.S.L. 2017 (21 O.S. Supp.  
9 2017, Section 1277), is amended to read as follows:

10 Section 1277.

11 UNLAWFUL CARRY IN CERTAIN PLACES

12 A. It shall be unlawful for any person ~~in possession of a valid~~  
13 ~~handgun license issued~~ pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma  
14 Self-Defense Act to carry ~~any concealed or unconcealed~~ a handgun,  
15 rifle or shotgun into any of the following places:

16 1. Any structure, building, or office space which is owned or  
17 leased by a city, town, county, state or federal governmental  
18 authority for the purpose of conducting business with the public;

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

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

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

6       5. Any place where gambling is authorized by law, unless  
7 allowed by the property owner; and

8       6. Any other place specifically prohibited by law.

9       B. For purposes of subsection A of this section, the prohibited  
10 place does not include and specifically excludes the following  
11 property:

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

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

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

21       4. Any property designated by a city, town, county or state  
22 governmental authority as a park, recreational area, or fairgrounds;  
23 provided, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to authorize  
24 any entry by a person in possession of a concealed or unconcealed

1 handgun into any structure, building or office space which is  
2 specifically prohibited by the provisions of subsection A of this  
3 section; and

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, ~~said~~ the handgun shall be  
7 stored and hidden from view in a locked motor vehicle when the motor  
8 vehicle is left unattended on school property.

9 Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection or  
10 subsection C of this section shall be construed to authorize or  
11 allow any person in control of any place described in subsection A  
12 of this section to establish any policy or rule that has the effect  
13 of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a ~~handgun license~~  
14 firearm from possession of a ~~handgun allowable under such license~~  
15 firearm in places described in this subsection.

16 C. A concealed or unconcealed weapon may be carried onto  
17 private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by any  
18 private school for transportation of students or teachers by a  
19 person who is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act,  
20 provided a policy has been adopted by the governing entity of the  
21 private school that authorizes the carrying and possession of a  
22 weapon on private school property or in any school bus or vehicle  
23 used by a private school. Except for acts of gross negligence or  
24 willful or wanton misconduct, a governing entity of a private school

1 that adopts a policy which authorizes the possession of a weapon on  
2 private school property, a school bus or vehicle used by the private  
3 school shall be immune from liability for any injuries arising from  
4 the adoption of the policy. The provisions of this subsection shall  
5 not apply to claims pursuant to the Administrative Workers'  
6 Compensation Act.

7 D. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section,  
8 a board of education of a school district may adopt a policy  
9 pursuant to Section 5-149.2 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes to  
10 authorize the carrying of a handgun onto school property by school  
11 personnel specifically designated by the board of education,  
12 provided such personnel either:

- 13 1. Possess a valid armed security guard license as provided for  
14 in Section 1750.1 et seq. of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or
- 15 2. Hold a valid reserve peace officer certification as provided  
16 for in Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

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

19 E. Any person violating the provisions of paragraph 2 or 3 of  
20 subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a  
21 misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty  
22 Dollars (\$250.00). A person violating any other provision of  
23 subsection A of this section may be denied entrance onto the  
24 property or removed from the property. If the person refuses to

1 leave the property and a peace officer is summoned, the person may  
2 be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty  
3 Dollars (\$250.00).

4 F. No person that is in possession or is not in possession of a  
5 valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the  
6 Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall be authorized to carry ~~the~~ a  
7 handgun, rifle or shotgun into or upon any college, university or  
8 technology center school property, except as provided in this  
9 subsection. For purposes of this subsection, the following property  
10 shall not be construed as prohibited for persons having a valid  
11 handgun license:

12 1. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any  
13 vehicle, whether attended or unattended, provided the handgun is  
14 carried or stored as required by law and the handgun is not removed  
15 from the vehicle without the prior consent of the college or  
16 university president or technology center school administrator while  
17 the vehicle is on any college, university or technology center  
18 school property;

19 2. Any property authorized for possession or use of handguns by  
20 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  
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1 handgun 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 from possession of a handgun allowable under such  
17 license in places described in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this  
18 subsection. Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection  
19 shall be construed to limit the authority of any college, university  
20 or technology center school in this state from taking administrative  
21 action against any student for any violation of any provision of  
22 this subsection.

23 G. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the  
24 following:

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

3 2. District judges, associate district judges and special  
4 district judges, who are in possession of a valid handgun license  
5 issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act  
6 and whose names appear on a list maintained by the Administrative  
7 Director of the Courts, when acting in the course and scope of  
8 employment within the courthouses of this state;

9 3. Private investigators with a firearms authorization when  
10 acting in the course and scope of employment; and

11 4. Elected officials of a county, who are in possession of a  
12 valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the  
13 Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, may carry a concealed handgun when acting  
14 in the performance of their duties within the courthouses of the  
15 county in which he or she was elected. The provisions of this  
16 paragraph shall not allow the elected county official to carry the  
17 handgun into a courtroom.

18 H. For the purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means any  
19 automobile, truck, minivan or sports utility vehicle.

20 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1283, as  
21 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 179, O.S.L. 2014 (21 O.S. Supp.  
22 2017, Section 1283), is amended to read as follows:

23 Section 1283.

24 CONVICTED FELONS AND DELINQUENTS

1       A. Except as provided in subsection B of this section, it shall  
2 be unlawful for any person convicted of any felony in any court of  
3 this state or of another state or of the United States to have in  
4 his or her possession or under his or her immediate control, or in  
5 any vehicle which the person is operating, or in which the person is  
6 riding as a passenger, or at the residence where the convicted  
7 person resides, any pistol, imitation or homemade pistol, altered  
8 air or toy pistol, machine gun, sawed-off shotgun or rifle, or any  
9 other dangerous or deadly firearm.

10       B. Any person who has previously been convicted of a nonviolent  
11 felony in any court of this state or of another state or of the  
12 United States, and who has received a full and complete pardon from  
13 the proper authority and has not been convicted of any other felony  
14 offense which has not been pardoned, shall have restored the right  
15 to possess any firearm or other weapon prohibited by subsection A of  
16 this section, the right to apply for and carry a handgun, concealed  
17 or unconcealed, pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and the  
18 right to perform the duties of a peace officer, gunsmith, or for  
19 firearms repair.

20       C. It shall be unlawful for any person serving a term of  
21 probation for any felony in any court of this state or of another  
22 state or of the United States or under the jurisdiction of any  
23 alternative court program to have in his or her possession or under  
24 his or her immediate control, or at his or her residence, or in any

1 passenger vehicle which the person is operating or is riding as a  
2 passenger, any pistol, shotgun or rifle, including any imitation or  
3 homemade pistol, altered air or toy pistol, shotgun or rifle, while  
4 such person is subject to supervision, probation, parole or inmate  
5 status.

6 D. It shall be unlawful for any person previously adjudicated  
7 as a delinquent child or a youthful offender for the commission of  
8 an offense, which would have constituted a felony offense if  
9 committed by an adult, to have in the possession of the person or  
10 under the immediate control of the person, or have in any vehicle  
11 which he or she is driving or in which the person is riding as a  
12 passenger, or at the residence of the person, any pistol, imitation  
13 or homemade pistol, altered air or toy pistol, machine gun, sawed-  
14 off shotgun or rifle, or any other dangerous or deadly firearm  
15 within ten (10) years after such adjudication; provided, that  
16 nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the  
17 placement of the person in a home with a full-time duly appointed  
18 peace officer who is certified by the Council on Law Enforcement  
19 Education and Training (CLEET) pursuant to the provisions of Section  
20 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

21 E. It shall be unlawful for any person who is not lawfully  
22 present in the United States to have in the possession of the person  
23 or under the immediate control of the person, or in any vehicle the  
24 person is operating or in which the person is riding as a passenger,

1 or at the residence where the person resides, any pistol, imitation  
2 or homemade pistol, altered air or toy pistol, shotgun, rifle or any  
3 other dangerous or deadly firearm. Any person who violates the  
4 provisions of this subsection shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a  
5 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars  
6 (\$250.00).

7 F. Any person having been issued a handgun license pursuant to  
8 the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and who thereafter  
9 knowingly or intentionally allows a convicted felon or adjudicated  
10 delinquent or a youthful offender as prohibited by the provisions of  
11 subsection A, C, or D of this section to possess or have control of  
12 any pistol authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall, upon  
13 conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by a fine not to exceed  
14 Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). In addition, the person shall  
15 have the handgun license revoked by the Oklahoma State Bureau of  
16 Investigation after a hearing and determination that the person has  
17 violated the provisions of this section.

18 ~~F.~~ G. Any convicted or adjudicated person violating the  
19 provisions of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a  
20 felony punishable as provided in Section 1284 of this title.

21 ~~G.~~ H. For purposes of this section, "sawed-off shotgun or  
22 rifle" shall mean any shotgun or rifle which has been shortened to  
23 any length.



1           3. During participation in or in preparation for a military  
2 function of the state military forces to be defined as the Oklahoma  
3 Army or Air National Guard, Federal Military Reserve and active  
4 military forces. It is further provided that Oklahoma Army or Air  
5 National Guard personnel with proper authorization and performing a  
6 military function may carry loaded or unloaded and concealed weapons  
7 on Oklahoma Military Department facilities in accordance with rules  
8 promulgated by the Adjutant General;

9           4. During participation in or in preparation for a recognized  
10 police function of either a municipal, county or state government as  
11 functioning police officials;

12           5. During a practice for or a performance for entertainment  
13 purposes;

14           6. For lawful self-defense and self-protection or any other  
15 legitimate purpose ~~in or on property that is owned, leased, rented,~~  
16 ~~or otherwise legally controlled by the person; or~~

17           7. When carried pursuant to the definitions provided for in  
18 Sections 1289.3, 1289.4, 1289.5 and subsection A of Section 1290.2  
19 of this title by a person who is:

- 20           a. a legal resident,
- 21           b. twenty-one (21) years of age or older,
- 22           c. not a convicted felon or who is otherwise not  
23           disqualified from the possession or legal purchase of  
24           a firearm under state or federal law, and

1           d. not involved in a crime.

2 Any person who carries a firearm in the manner provided for in this  
3 paragraph shall be prohibited from carrying the firearm into any of  
4 the places prescribed in subsection A of Section 1277 of this title;  
5 or

6       8. For any legitimate purpose not in violation of the Oklahoma  
7 Firearms Act of 1971 or any legislative enactment regarding the use,  
8 ownership and control of firearms.

9       B. A person shall be permitted to carry unloaded shotguns,  
10 rifles and pistols, ~~open and not concealed~~ and without a handgun  
11 license as authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act pursuant to  
12 the following conditions:

13       1. When going to or from the person's private residence or  
14 vehicle or a vehicle in which the person is riding as a passenger to  
15 a place designated or authorized for firearms repairs or  
16 reconditioning, or for firearms trade, sale, or barter, or gunsmith,  
17 or hunting animals or fowl, or hunter safety course, or target  
18 shooting, or skeet or trap shooting or any recognized firearms  
19 activity or event and while in such places; or

20       2. For any legitimate purpose not in violation of the Oklahoma  
21 Firearms Act of 1971.

22       C. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to  
23 prohibit educational or recreational activities, exhibitions,  
24 displays or shows involving the use or display of rifles, shotguns

1 or pistols or other weapons if the activity is approved by the  
2 property owner and sponsor of the activity.

3 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.7, as  
4 amended by Section 12, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017,  
5 Section 1289.7), is amended to read as follows:

6 Section 1289.7.

7 FIREARMS IN VEHICLES

8 A. Any person twenty-one (21) years of age or older, except a  
9 convicted felon, may transport in a motor vehicle a ~~rifle, shotgun~~  
10 ~~or pistol~~ or handgun, ~~open and loaded or unloaded, at any time.~~ For  
11 ~~purposes of this section "open" means the firearm is transported in~~  
12 ~~plain view, in a case designed for carrying firearms, which case is~~  
13 ~~wholly or partially visible, in a gun rack mounted in the vehicle,~~  
14 ~~in an exterior locked compartment or a trunk of a vehicle~~ for the  
15 purpose of self-defense, provided the person is not involved in a  
16 crime.

17 B. Any person, except a convicted felon, may transport in a  
18 motor vehicle a rifle ~~or~~, shotgun concealed, pistol or handgun  
19 behind a seat of the vehicle or within the interior of the vehicle  
20 provided the rifle or shotgun is not clip\_, magazine\_ or ~~chamber~~  
21 ~~loaded~~ chamber-loaded. The authority to transport a clip\_ or  
22 ~~magazine loaded~~ magazine-loaded rifle or shotgun shall be pursuant  
23 to Section 1289.13 of this title.

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1       C. It shall be unlawful for any person to fail or refuse to  
2 identify the fact that the person is in actual possession of a  
3 firearm pursuant to the authority of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act  
4 when the person comes into contact with any law enforcement officer  
5 of this state or its political subdivisions or a federal law  
6 enforcement officer during the course of any arrest, detainment or  
7 routine traffic stop. Disclosure of information to the law  
8 enforcement officer shall be made at the first opportunity. Any  
9 violation of the provisions of this subsection shall, upon  
10 conviction, be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed One  
11 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

12       D. Any person who is the operator of a vehicle or is a  
13 passenger in any vehicle wherein another person who is licensed  
14 pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act to carry a handgun,  
15 concealed or unconcealed, and is carrying a handgun or has the  
16 handgun in such vehicle, shall not be deemed in violation of the  
17 provisions of this section provided the licensee is in or near the  
18 vehicle.

19       SECTION 6.       AMENDATORY       21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.13A, as  
20 amended by Section 19, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017,  
21 Section 1289.13A), is amended to read as follows:

22       Section 1289.13A.

23                               IMPROPER TRANSPORTATION OF FIREARMS

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1       A. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1272 or 1289.13 of  
2 this title, any person stopped pursuant to a moving traffic  
3 violation who is transporting a loaded pistol in the motor vehicle  
4 without a valid handgun license authorized by the Oklahoma Self-  
5 Defense Act ~~or~~, a valid license from another state or as otherwise  
6 permitted by law, whether the loaded firearm is concealed or  
7 unconcealed in the vehicle, ~~shall~~ may be issued a traffic citation  
8 in the amount of Seventy Dollars (\$70.00), plus court costs for  
9 transporting a firearm improperly. In addition to the traffic  
10 citation provided in this section, the person may also be arrested  
11 for any other violation of law.

12       B. ~~When the arresting officer determines that a valid handgun~~  
13 ~~license exists, pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or any~~  
14 ~~provision of law from another state, for any person in the stopped~~  
15 ~~vehicle, any firearms permitted to be carried pursuant to that~~  
16 ~~license shall not be confiscated~~ Any firearm lawfully carried or  
17 transported as permitted pursuant to state law, a valid license or  
18 any provision of law from another state shall not be confiscated,  
19 unless:

20       1. The person is arrested for violating another provision of  
21 law other than a violation of subsection A of this section;  
22 provided, however, if the person is never charged with an offense  
23 pursuant to this paragraph or if the charges are dismissed or the  
24 person is acquitted, the weapon shall be returned to the person; or

1 2. The officer has probable cause to believe the weapon is:

2 a. contraband, or

3 b. a firearm used in the commission of a crime other than  
4 a violation of subsection A of this section.

5 C. ~~Nothing~~ Absent of a criminal act, nothing in this section  
6 shall be construed to require confiscation of any firearm.

7 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.23, as  
8 last amended by Section 5, Chapter 210, O.S.L. 2016 (21 O.S. Supp.  
9 2017, Section 1289.23), is amended to read as follows:

10 Section 1289.23.

11 CONCEALED FIREARM FOR OFF-DUTY POLICE OFFICER

12 A. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a  
13 full-time duly appointed peace officer who is certified by the  
14 Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET), pursuant  
15 to the provisions of Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma  
16 Statutes, is hereby authorized to carry a service weapon approved  
17 and issued by the employing agency ~~anywhere in,~~ personal rifle or  
18 shotgun throughout the state of Oklahoma, both while on active duty  
19 and during periods when the officer is not on active duty as  
20 provided by the provisions of subsection B of this section.

21 B. When a full-time duly appointed officer carries an approved  
22 service weapon, personal rifle or shotgun, the officer shall be  
23 wearing the law enforcement uniform prescribed by the employing  
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1 agency or plainclothes. When not wearing the prescribed law  
2 enforcement uniform, the officer shall be required:

3 1. To have the official peace officers badge, Commission Card  
4 and CLEET Certification Card on his or her person at all times when  
5 carrying a service weapon approved by the employing agency, personal  
6 rifle or shotgun; and

7 2. To keep the approved service weapon, personal rifle or  
8 shotgun concealed or unconcealed at all times, except when the  
9 weapon, personal rifle or shotgun is used within the guidelines  
10 established by the employing agency.

11 C. Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter or amend  
12 the provisions of Section 1272.1 of this title or expand the duties,  
13 authority or jurisdiction of any peace officer.

14 D. A reserve peace officer who has satisfactorily completed a  
15 basic police course of not less than one hundred twenty (120) hours  
16 of accredited instruction for reserve police officers and reserve  
17 deputies from the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training  
18 or a course of study approved by CLEET may carry an approved service  
19 weapon, personal rifle or shotgun when such officer is off duty as  
20 provided by subsection E of this section, provided:

21 1. The officer has been granted written authorization signed by  
22 the director of the employing agency; and

23 2. The employing agency shall maintain a current list of any  
24 officers authorized to carry an approved service weapon, personal

1 rifle or shotgun while the officers are off duty, and shall provide  
2 a copy of such list to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and  
3 Training. Any change to the list shall be made in writing and  
4 mailed to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training  
5 within five (5) days.

6 E. When an off-duty reserve peace officer carries an approved  
7 service weapon, personal rifle or shotgun, the officer shall be  
8 wearing the law enforcement uniform prescribed by the employing  
9 agency or when not wearing the prescribed law enforcement uniform,  
10 the officer shall be required:

11 1. To have his or her official peace officer's badge,  
12 Commission Card, CLEET Certification Card; and

13 2. To keep the approved service weapon, personal rifle or  
14 shotgun concealed or unconcealed at all times, except when the  
15 weapon is used within the guidelines established by the employing  
16 agency.

17 F. Nothing in subsection D of this section shall be construed  
18 to alter or amend the provisions of Section 1750.2 of Title 59 of  
19 the Oklahoma Statutes or expand the duties, jurisdiction or  
20 authority of any reserve peace officer.

21 G. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or  
22 restrict any peace officer or reserve peace officer from carrying a  
23 handgun, concealed or unconcealed, as allowed by the Oklahoma Self-  
24 Defense Act after issuance of a valid license. An off-duty, full-

1 time peace officer or reserve peace officer shall be deemed to have  
2 elected to carry a handgun under the authority of the Oklahoma Self-  
3 Defense Act when the officer:

4 1. Has been issued a valid handgun license and is carrying a  
5 handgun not authorized by the employing agency; or

6 2. Is carrying a handgun in a manner or in a place not  
7 specifically authorized for off-duty carry by the employing agency.

8 H. Any off-duty peace officer who carries any weapon in  
9 violation of the provisions of this section shall be deemed to be in  
10 violation of Section 1272 of this title and may be prosecuted as  
11 provided by law for a violation of that section.

12 I. On or after November 1, 2004, a reserve or full-time  
13 commissioned peace officer may apply to carry a weapon pursuant to  
14 the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act as follows:

15 1. The officer shall apply in writing to the Council on Law  
16 Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) stating that the officer  
17 desires to have a handgun license pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-  
18 Defense Act and certifying that he or she has no preclusions to  
19 having such handgun license. The officer shall submit with the  
20 application:

21 a. an official letter from his or her employing agency  
22 confirming the officer's employment and status as a  
23 full-time commissioned peace officer or an active  
24 reserve peace officer,

- 1           b.    a fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for the handgun  
2                license, and  
3           c.    two passport-size photographs of the peace officer  
4                applicant;

5           2.    Upon receiving the required information, CLEET shall  
6 determine whether the peace officer is in good standing, has CLEET  
7 certification and training, and is otherwise eligible for a handgun  
8 license. Upon verification of the officer's eligibility, CLEET  
9 shall send the information to the Oklahoma State Bureau of  
10 Investigation (OSBI) and OSBI shall issue a handgun license in the  
11 same or similar form as other handgun licenses. All other  
12 requirements in Section 1290.12 of this title concerning application  
13 for a handgun license shall be waived for active duty peace officers  
14 except as provided in this subsection including, but not limited to,  
15 training, fingerprints and criminal history records checks unless  
16 the officer does not have fingerprints on file or a criminal history  
17 records background check conducted prior to employment as a peace  
18 officer. The OSBI shall not be required to conduct any further  
19 investigation into the eligibility of the peace officer applicant  
20 and shall not deny a handgun license except when preclusions are  
21 found to exist;

22           3.    The term of the handgun license for an active duty reserve  
23 or full-time commissioned peace officer pursuant to this section  
24 shall be as provided in Section 1290.5 of this title, renewable in

1 the same manner provided in this subsection for an original  
2 application by a peace officer. The handgun license shall be valid  
3 when the peace officer is in possession of a valid driver license  
4 and law enforcement commission card;

5 4. If the commission card of a law enforcement officer is  
6 terminated, revoked or suspended, the handgun license shall be  
7 immediately returned to CLEET. When a peace officer in possession  
8 of a handgun license pursuant to this subsection changes employment,  
9 the person must notify CLEET within ninety (90) days and send a new  
10 letter verifying employment and status as a full-time commissioned  
11 or reserve peace officer;

12 5. There shall be no refund of any fee for any unexpired term  
13 of any handgun license that is suspended, revoked or voluntarily  
14 returned to CLEET, or that is denied, suspended or revoked by the  
15 OSBI;

16 6. CLEET may promulgate any rules, forms or procedures  
17 necessary to implement the provisions of this section; and

18 7. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to change or  
19 amend the application process, eligibility, effective date or fees  
20 of any handgun license pending issuance on November 1, 2004, or  
21 previously issued to any peace officer prior to November 1, 2004.

22 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.24, as  
23 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 241, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp.  
24 2017, Section 1289.24), is amended to read as follows:

1 Section 1289.24.

2 FIREARM REGULATION - STATE PREEMPTION

3 A. 1. The State Legislature hereby occupies and preempts the  
4 entire field of legislation in this state touching in any way  
5 firearms, knives, components, ammunition, and supplies to the  
6 complete exclusion of any order, ordinance, or regulation by any  
7 municipality or other political subdivision of this state. Any  
8 existing or future orders, ordinances, or regulations in this field,  
9 except as provided for in paragraph 2 of this subsection and  
10 subsection C of this section, are null and void.

11 2. A municipality may adopt any ordinance:

12 a. relating to the discharge of firearms within the  
13 jurisdiction of the municipality, and

14 b. allowing the municipality to issue a traffic citation  
15 for transporting a firearm improperly as provided for  
16 in Section 1289.13A of this title, provided however,  
17 that penalties contained for violation of any  
18 ordinance enacted pursuant to the provisions of this  
19 subparagraph shall not exceed the penalties  
20 established in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.

21 3. As provided in the preemption provisions of this section,  
22 the otherwise lawful ~~open~~ carrying of a ~~handgun~~ firearm under the  
23 provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or the Oklahoma Firearms  
24 Act of 1971 shall not be punishable by any municipality or other

1 political subdivision of this state as disorderly conduct,  
2 disturbing the peace or similar offense against public order.

3 4. A public or private school may create a policy regulating  
4 the possession of knives on school property or in any school bus or  
5 vehicle used by the school for purposes of transportation.

6 B. No municipality or other political subdivision of this state  
7 shall adopt any order, ordinance, or regulation concerning in any  
8 way the sale, purchase, purchase delay, transfer, ownership, use,  
9 keeping, possession, carrying, bearing, transportation, licensing,  
10 permit, registration, taxation other than sales and compensating use  
11 taxes, or other controls on firearms, knives, components,  
12 ammunition, and supplies.

13 C. Except as hereinafter provided, this section shall not  
14 prohibit any order, ordinance, or regulation by any municipality  
15 concerning the confiscation of property used in violation of the  
16 ordinances of the municipality as provided for in Section 28-121 of  
17 Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Provided, however, no municipal  
18 ordinance relating to transporting a firearm or knife improperly may  
19 include a provision for confiscation of property.

20 D. When a person's rights pursuant to the protection of the  
21 preemption provisions of this section have been violated, the person  
22 shall have the right to bring a civil action against the persons,  
23 municipality, and political subdivision jointly and severally for  
24 injunctive relief or monetary damages or both.

1 SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.1, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 1290.1.

4 SHORT TITLE

5 Sections ~~4~~ 1290.1 through ~~25~~ 1290.27 of this ~~act~~ title shall be  
6 known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma Self-Defense Act".

7 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.3, as  
8 amended by Section 24, Chapter 259, O.S.L. 2012 (21 O.S. Supp. 2017,  
9 Section 1290.3), is amended to read as follows:

10 Section 1290.3.

11 AUTHORITY TO ISSUE LICENSE

12 ~~The~~ On or after November 1, 2018, the Oklahoma State Bureau of  
13 Investigation is hereby authorized to license an eligible person to  
14 carry a concealed or unconcealed handgun as provided by the  
15 provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. The authority of the  
16 Bureau shall be limited to the provisions specifically provided in  
17 the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. The Bureau shall promulgate rules,  
18 forms and procedures necessary to implement the provisions of the  
19 Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. Any license issued prior to November 1,  
20 2018, shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the  
21 license is subject to renewal, suspension or revocation pursuant to  
22 the provisions of Section 1290.17 of this title.

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1 SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.22, as  
2 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 358, O.S.L. 2017 (21 O.S. Supp.  
3 2017, Section 1290.22), is amended to read as follows:

4 Section 1290.22.

5 BUSINESS OWNER'S RIGHTS

6 A. Except as provided in subsections B, C and D of this  
7 section, nothing contained in any provision of the Oklahoma Self-  
8 Defense Act shall be construed to limit, restrict or prohibit in any  
9 manner the existing rights of any person, property owner, tenant,  
10 employer, place of worship or business entity to control the  
11 possession of weapons on any property owned or controlled by the  
12 person or business entity.

13 B. No person, property owner, tenant, employer, holder of an  
14 event permit, place of worship or business entity shall be permitted  
15 to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting  
16 any person, except a convicted felon, from transporting and storing  
17 firearms in a locked vehicle on any property set aside for any  
18 vehicle.

19 C. A property owner, tenant, employer, place of worship or  
20 business entity may prohibit any person from carrying a concealed or  
21 unconcealed firearm on the property. If the building or property is  
22 open to the public, the property owner, tenant, employer, place of  
23 worship or business entity shall post signs on or about the property  
24 stating such prohibition.

1 D. No person, property owner, tenant, employer, holder of an  
2 event permit, place of worship or business entity shall be permitted  
3 to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting  
4 any person from carrying a concealed or unconcealed firearm on  
5 property within the specific exclusion provided for in paragraph 4  
6 of subsection B of Section 1277 of this title; provided that  
7 carrying a concealed or unconcealed firearm may be prohibited in the  
8 following places:

9 1. The portion of a public property structure or building  
10 during an event authorized by the city, town, county, state or  
11 federal governmental authority owning or controlling such building  
12 or structure;

13 2. Any public property sports field, including any adjacent  
14 seating or adjacent area set aside for viewing a sporting event,  
15 where an elementary or secondary school, collegiate, or professional  
16 sporting event or an International Olympic Committee or organization  
17 or any committee subordinate to the International Olympic Committee  
18 event is being held;

19 3. The fairgrounds during the Oklahoma State Fair or the Tulsa  
20 State Fair; and

21 4. The portion of a public property structure or building that  
22 is leased or under contract to a business or not-for-profit entity  
23 or group for offices.

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1 E. The carrying of a concealed or unconcealed firearm ~~by a~~  
2 ~~person who has been issued a handgun license~~ on property that has  
3 signs prohibiting the carrying of firearms shall not be deemed a  
4 criminal act but may subject the person to being denied entrance  
5 onto the property or removed from the property. If the person  
6 refuses to leave the property and a peace officer is summoned, the  
7 person may be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed Two  
8 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

9 F. A person, property owner, tenant, employer, holder of an  
10 event permit, place of worship or business entity that does or does  
11 not prohibit any individual except a convicted felon from carrying a  
12 loaded or unloaded, concealed or unconcealed weapon on property that  
13 the person, property owner, tenant, employer, holder of an event  
14 permit, place of worship or business entity owns, or has legal  
15 control of, is immune from any liability arising from that decision.  
16 Except for acts of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct,  
17 an employer who does or does not prohibit their employees from  
18 carrying a concealed or unconcealed weapon is immune from any  
19 liability arising from that decision. A person, property owner,  
20 tenant, employer, holder of an event permit, place of worship or  
21 business entity that does not prohibit persons from carrying a  
22 concealed or unconcealed weapon pursuant to subsection D of this  
23 section shall be immune from any liability arising from the carrying  
24 of a concealed or unconcealed weapon, while in the scope of

1 employment, on the property or in or about a business entity  
2 vehicle. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to  
3 claims pursuant to the Administrative Workers' Compensation Act.

4 G. It shall not be considered part of an employee's job  
5 description or within the employee's scope of employment if an  
6 employee is allowed to carry or discharge a weapon pursuant to this  
7 section.

8 H. Nothing in subsections F and G shall prevent an employer,  
9 employee or person who has suffered loss resulting from the  
10 discharge of a weapon to seek redress or damages of the person who  
11 discharged the weapon or used the weapon outside the provisions of  
12 the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.

13 SECTION 12. This act shall become effective November 1, 2018.

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