

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to concealed weapons or firearms;
 3 creating s. 790.062, F.S.; providing that otherwise
 4 qualified members and veterans of the United States
 5 Armed Forces be issued a concealed weapon or firearm
 6 license regardless of age in certain circumstances;
 7 providing additional methods for the taking of
 8 fingerprints from such license applicants; amending s.
 9 790.015, F.S.; providing that members and veterans of
 10 the United States Armed Forces be granted reciprocity
 11 regardless of age; providing an effective date.

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 13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 15 Section 1. Section 790.062, Florida Statutes, is created
 16 to read:

17 790.062 Members and veterans of United States Armed
 18 Forces; exceptions from licensure provisions.—

19 (1) Notwithstanding s. 790.06(2)(b), the Department of
 20 Agriculture and Consumer Services shall issue a license to carry
 21 a concealed weapon or firearm under s. 790.06 if the applicant
 22 is otherwise qualified and:

23 (a) Is a servicemember, as defined in s. 250.01; or

24 (b) Is a veteran of the United States Armed Forces who was
 25 discharged under honorable conditions.

26 (2) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
 27 shall accept fingerprints of an applicant under this section
 28 administered by any law enforcement agency, military provost, or

29 other military unit charged with law enforcement duties or as
 30 otherwise provided for in 790.06(5)(c).

31 Section 2. Section 790.015, Florida Statutes, is amended
 32 to read:

33 790.015 Nonresidents who are United States citizens and
 34 hold a concealed weapons license in another state; reciprocity.-

35 (1) Notwithstanding s. 790.01, ~~a resident of the United~~
 36 ~~States who is~~ a nonresident of Florida may carry a concealed
 37 weapon or concealed firearm while in this state if the
 38 nonresident:

39 (a) Is 21 years of age or older; ~~and~~

40 (b) Has in his or her immediate possession a valid license
 41 to carry a concealed weapon or concealed firearm issued to the
 42 nonresident in his or her state of residence.

43 (c) Is a resident of the United States.

44 (2) A nonresident is subject to the same laws and
 45 restrictions with respect to carrying a concealed weapon or
 46 concealed firearm as a resident of Florida who is so licensed.

47 (3) If the resident of another state who is the holder of
 48 a valid license to carry a concealed weapon or concealed firearm
 49 issued in another state establishes legal residence in this
 50 state by:

51 (a) Registering to vote; ~~or~~

52 (b) Making a statement of domicile pursuant to s. 222.17; ~~or~~

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54 (c) Filing for homestead tax exemption on property in this
 55 state,

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57 | the license shall remain in effect for 90 days following the
58 | date on which the holder of the license establishes legal state
59 | residence.

60 | (4) This section applies only to nonresident concealed
61 | weapon or concealed firearm licenseholders from states that
62 | honor Florida concealed weapon or concealed firearm licenses.

63 | (5) The requirement of paragraph (1)(a) does not apply to
64 | a person who:

65 | (a) Is a servicemember, as defined in s. 250.01; or

66 | (b) Is a veteran of the United States Armed Forces who was
67 | discharged under honorable conditions.

68 | Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.