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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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58 the license shall remain in effect for 90 days following the

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59 date on which the holder of the license establishes legal state
60 residence.

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

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

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

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

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