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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Provides persons licensed to carry concealed handgun in another state with protections provided to persons with Oregon concealed handgun license if other state *[has no less stringent handgun competency requirement than]* **recognizes Oregon concealed handgun licenses and requires handgun competency to obtain license that is similar to requirement in Oregon.**

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Relating to firearms; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 166.173, 166.260, 166.262, 166.370, 166.663 and 821.240 and section 2, chapter 88, Oregon Laws 2014.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Justice shall create and maintain a list of states that:**

**(a) Authorize a person who is licensed under ORS 166.291 and 166.292 to carry a concealed handgun in the other state; and**

**(b) In order to obtain a concealed handgun license or permit, require license or permit applicants to demonstrate competency with a handgun by any one of the following:**

**(A) Completion of any hunter education or hunter safety course approved by the State Department of Fish and Wildlife or a similar agency of another state if handgun safety was a component of the course;**

**(B) Completion of any National Rifle Association firearms safety or training course if handgun safety was a component of the course;**

**(C) Completion of any firearms safety or training course or class available to the general public offered by law enforcement, a community college or a private or public institution, organization or firearms training school utilizing instructors certified by the National Rifle Association or a law enforcement agency if handgun safety was a component of the course;**

**(D) Completion of any law enforcement firearms safety or training course or class offered for security guards, investigators, reserve law enforcement officers or any other law enforcement officers if handgun safety was a component of the course; or**

**(E) Evidence of equivalent experience with a handgun through participation in organized shooting competition or military service.**

**(2) The Department of Justice shall provide the list described in subsection (1) of this section to all law enforcement agencies within this state.**

**(3) The Department of Justice shall make the list described in subsection (1) of this sec-**

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

1 **tion available to the public without charge on an Internet website.**

2 **SECTION 2.** ORS 166.173 is amended to read:

3 166.173. (1) A city or county may adopt ordinances to regulate, restrict or prohibit the pos-  
4 session of loaded firearms in public places as defined in ORS 161.015.

5 (2) Ordinances adopted under subsection (1) of this section do not apply to or affect:

6 (a) A law enforcement officer in the performance of official duty.

7 (b) A member of the military in the performance of official duty.

8 (c) A person **who is licensed under ORS 166.291 and 166.292** to carry a concealed handgun.

9 **(d) A person who is not a resident of this state, who is not prohibited from possessing a**  
10 **firearm and who is authorized to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to a valid license or**  
11 **permit that was issued, in a state on the list described in section 1 of this 2015 Act, by a**  
12 **state or local law enforcement agency, a court or another issuing authority of that state.**

13 [(d)] (e) A person authorized to possess a loaded firearm while in or on a public building or  
14 court facility under ORS 166.370.

15 [(e)] (f) An employee of the United States Department of Agriculture, acting within the scope  
16 of employment, who possesses a loaded firearm in the course of the lawful taking of wildlife.

17 **SECTION 3.** ORS 166.260 is amended to read:

18 166.260. (1) ORS 166.250 does not apply to or affect:

19 (a) Sheriffs, constables, marshals, parole and probation officers, police officers, whether active  
20 or honorably retired, or other duly appointed peace officers.

21 (b) Any person summoned by any such officer to assist in making arrests or preserving the  
22 peace, while said person so summoned is actually engaged in assisting the officer.

23 (c) The possession or transportation by any merchant of unloaded firearms as merchandise.

24 (d) Active or reserve members of:

25 (A) The Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard or Marine Corps of the United States, or of the  
26 National Guard, when on duty;

27 (B) The commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; or

28 (C) The Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services,  
29 when detailed by proper authority for duty with the Army or Navy of the United States.

30 (e) Organizations which are by law authorized to purchase or receive weapons described in ORS  
31 166.250 from the United States, or from this state.

32 (f) Duly authorized military or civil organizations while parading, or the members thereof when  
33 going to and from the places of meeting of their organization.

34 (g) A corrections officer while transporting or accompanying an individual convicted of or ar-  
35 rested for an offense and confined in a place of incarceration or detention while outside the confines  
36 of the place of incarceration or detention.

37 (h) A person who is licensed under ORS 166.291 and 166.292 to carry a concealed handgun.

38 **(i) A person who is not a resident of this state and who is authorized to carry a concealed**  
39 **handgun pursuant to a valid license or permit that was issued, in a state on the list described**  
40 **in section 1 of this 2015 Act, by a state or local law enforcement agency, a court or another**  
41 **issuing authority of that state.**

42 (2) It is an affirmative defense to a charge of violating ORS 166.250 (1)(c)(C) that the person has  
43 been granted relief from the disability under ORS 166.274.

44 (3) Except for persons who are otherwise prohibited from possessing a firearm under ORS  
45 166.250 (1)(c) or 166.270, ORS 166.250 does not apply to or affect:

1 (a) Members of any club or organization, for the purpose of practicing shooting at targets upon  
2 the established target ranges, whether public or private, while such members are using any of the  
3 firearms referred to in ORS 166.250 upon such target ranges, or while going to and from such  
4 ranges.

5 (b) Licensed hunters or fishermen while engaged in hunting or fishing, or while going to or re-  
6 turning from a hunting or fishing expedition.

7 (4) The exceptions listed in subsection (1)(b) to [(h)] (i) of this section constitute affirmative de-  
8 fenses to a charge of violating ORS 166.250.

9 **SECTION 4.** ORS 166.262 is amended to read:

10 166.262. A peace officer may not arrest or charge a person for violating ORS 166.250 (1)(a) or  
11 (b) or 166.370 (1) if the person has in the person's immediate possession:

12 (1) A valid license to carry a firearm as provided in ORS 166.291 and 166.292; or

13 (2) **For a person who is not a resident of this state, a valid license or permit that was**  
14 **issued, in a state on the list described in section 1 of this 2015 Act, by a state or local law**  
15 **enforcement agency, a court or another issuing authority of that state, and that authorizes**  
16 **the person to carry a concealed handgun.**

17 **SECTION 5.** ORS 166.370 is amended to read:

18 166.370. (1) Any person who intentionally possesses a loaded or unloaded firearm or any other  
19 instrument used as a dangerous weapon, while in or on a public building, shall upon conviction be  
20 guilty of a Class C felony.

21 (2)(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, a person who inten-  
22 tionally possesses:

23 (A) A firearm in a court facility is guilty, upon conviction, of a Class C felony. A person who  
24 intentionally possesses a firearm in a court facility shall surrender the firearm to a law enforcement  
25 officer.

26 (B) A weapon, other than a firearm, in a court facility may be required to surrender the weapon  
27 to a law enforcement officer or to immediately remove it from the court facility. A person who fails  
28 to comply with this subparagraph is guilty, upon conviction, of a Class C felony.

29 (b) The presiding judge of a judicial district may enter an order permitting the possession of  
30 specified weapons in a court facility.

31 (3) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to:

32 (a) A sheriff, police officer, other duly appointed peace officers or a corrections officer while  
33 acting within the scope of employment.

34 (b) A person summoned by a peace officer to assist in making an arrest or preserving the peace,  
35 while the summoned person is engaged in assisting the officer.

36 (c) An active or reserve member of the military forces of this state or the United States, when  
37 engaged in the performance of duty.

38 (d) A person who is licensed under ORS 166.291 and 166.292 to carry a concealed handgun.

39 (e) **A person who is not a resident of this state and who is authorized to carry a con-**  
40 **cealed handgun pursuant to a valid license or permit that was issued, in a state on the list**  
41 **described in section 1 of this 2015 Act, by a state or local law enforcement agency, a court**  
42 **or another issuing authority of that state.**

43 [(e)] (f) A person who is authorized by the officer or agency that controls the public building to  
44 possess a firearm or dangerous weapon in that public building.

45 [(f)] (g) An employee of the United States Department of Agriculture, acting within the scope

1 of employment, who possesses a firearm in the course of the lawful taking of wildlife.

2 [(g)] (h) Possession of a firearm on school property if the firearm:

3 (A) Is possessed by a person who is not otherwise prohibited from possessing the firearm; and

4 (B) Is unloaded and locked in a motor vehicle.

5 (4) The exceptions listed in subsection (3)(b) to [(g)] (h) of this section constitute affirmative  
6 defenses to a charge of violating subsection (1) of this section.

7 (5)(a) Any person who knowingly, or with reckless disregard for the safety of another, discharges  
8 or attempts to discharge a firearm at a place that the person knows is a school shall upon con-  
9 viction be guilty of a Class C felony.

10 (b) Paragraph (a) of this subsection does not apply to the discharge of a firearm:

11 (A) As part of a program approved by a school in the school by an individual who is partic-  
12 ipating in the program;

13 (B) By a law enforcement officer acting in the officer's official capacity; or

14 (C) By an employee of the United States Department of Agriculture, acting within the scope of  
15 employment, in the course of the lawful taking of wildlife.

16 (6) Any weapon carried in violation of this section is subject to the forfeiture provisions of ORS  
17 166.279.

18 (7) Notwithstanding the fact that a person's conduct in a single criminal episode constitutes a  
19 violation of both subsections (1) and (5) of this section, the district attorney may charge the person  
20 with only one of the offenses.

21 (8) As used in this section, "dangerous weapon" means a dangerous weapon as that term is de-  
22 fined in ORS 161.015.

23 **SECTION 6.** ORS 166.663 is amended to read:

24 166.663. (1) A person may not cast from a motor vehicle an artificial light while there is in the  
25 possession or in the immediate physical presence of the person a bow and arrow or a rifle, gun,  
26 revolver or other firearm.

27 (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to a person casting an artificial light:

28 (a) From the headlights of a motor vehicle that is being operated on a road in the usual manner.

29 (b) When the bow and arrow, rifle, gun, revolver or other firearm that the person has in the  
30 possession or immediate physical presence of the person is disassembled or stored, or in the trunk  
31 or storage compartment of the motor vehicle.

32 (c) When the ammunition or arrows are stored separate from the weapon.

33 (d) On land owned or lawfully occupied by that person.

34 (e) On publicly owned land when that person has an agreement with the public body to use that  
35 property.

36 (f) When the person is a peace officer or government employee engaged in the performance of  
37 official duties.

38 (g) When the person has been issued a license under ORS 166.291 and 166.292 to carry a con-  
39 cealed weapon.

40 **(h) When the person is not a resident of this state and is authorized to carry a concealed**  
41 **handgun pursuant to a valid license or permit that was issued, in a state on the list described**  
42 **in section 1 of this 2015 Act, by a state or local law enforcement agency, a court or another**  
43 **issuing authority of that state.**

44 (3) A peace officer may issue a citation to a person for a violation of subsection (1) of this sec-  
45 tion when the violation is committed in the presence of the peace officer or when the peace officer

1 has probable cause to believe that a violation has occurred based on a description of the vehicle  
2 or other information received from a peace officer who observed the violation.

3 (4) Violation of subsection (1) of this section is punishable as a Class B violation.

4 (5) As used in this section, "peace officer" has the meaning given that term in ORS 161.015.

5 **SECTION 7.** ORS 821.240 is amended to read:

6 821.240. (1) A person commits the offense of operating a snowmobile or an all-terrain vehicle  
7 while carrying a firearm or bow if the person operates any snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle with  
8 a firearm in the possession of the person, unless the firearm is unloaded, or with a bow, unless all  
9 arrows are in a quiver.

10 (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply to:

11 (a) A person who is licensed under ORS 166.291 and 166.292 to carry a concealed handgun; or

12 (b) **A person who is not a resident of this state and who is authorized to carry a con-**  
13 **cealed handgun pursuant to a valid license or permit that was issued, in a state on the list**  
14 **described in section 1 of this 2015 Act, by a state or local law enforcement agency, a court**  
15 **or another issuing authority of that state.**

16 (3) As used in this section, "unloaded" means:

17 (a) If the firearm is a revolver, that there is no live cartridge in the chamber that is aligned  
18 with the hammer of the revolver;

19 (b) If the firearm is a muzzle-loading firearm, that the firearm is not capped or primed; or

20 (c) If the firearm is other than a revolver or a muzzle-loading firearm, that there is no live  
21 cartridge in the chamber.

22 (4) The offense described in this section, operating a snowmobile or an all-terrain vehicle while  
23 carrying a firearm or bow, is a Class B traffic violation.

24 **SECTION 8.** Section 2, chapter 88, Oregon Laws 2014, is amended to read:

25 **Sec. 2.** (1) Notwithstanding ORS 162.135 and 162.185 or any Department of Corrections regu-  
26 lation, rule, policy or provision of an employment contract to the contrary, if the department has  
27 not provided a secure and locked location for storing firearms owned by corrections officers, a  
28 corrections officer employed by the department may possess a firearm in the officer's personal ve-  
29 hicle when the vehicle is parked in a department parking lot if the officer:

30 (a) Is present in the officer's official capacity at a public building occupied by the department;

31 (b)(A) Has a valid concealed handgun license issued pursuant to ORS 166.291 and 166.292; or

32 (B) **Is a person who is not a resident of this state and who is authorized to carry a con-**  
33 **cealed handgun pursuant to a valid license or permit that was issued, in a state on the list**  
34 **described in section 1 of this 2015 Act, by a state or local law enforcement agency, a court**  
35 **or another issuing authority of that state; and**

36 (c) Has secured the firearm in a closed and locked trunk, glove compartment, center console or  
37 other container, and the key is not inserted into the lock, if the trunk, glove compartment, center  
38 console or other container locks with a key.

39 (2) As used in this section, "corrections officer" has the meaning given that term in ORS  
40 181.610.

41 **SECTION 9.** The amendments to ORS 166.173, 166.260, 166.262, 166.370, 166.663 and 821.240  
42 and section 2, chapter 88, Oregon Laws 2014, by sections 2 to 8 of this 2015 Act apply to  
43 conduct occurring on or after the effective date of this 2015 Act.  
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