

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 692

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to weapons; amending 21 O.S. 2021, Sections 1272, 1277, and 1287, which relate to firearms; removing references to metal knuckles; updating statutory language and references; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1272, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1272.

UNLAWFUL CARRY

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, 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, hand chain, ~~metal knuckles,~~ or any other offensive weapon, whether such weapon be concealed or unconcealed, except this section shall not prohibit:

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

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

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

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

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

23 6. The transporting by vehicle on a public roadway or the
24 carrying of a firearm, concealed or unconcealed, loaded or unloaded,

1 by a person who is twenty-one (21) years of age or older or by a
2 person who is eighteen (18) years of age but not yet twenty-one (21)
3 years of age and the person is a member or veteran of the United
4 States Armed Forces, Reserves, or National Guard or was discharged
5 under honorable conditions from the United States Armed Forces,
6 Reserves, or National Guard, and the person is otherwise not
7 disqualified from the possession or purchase of a firearm under
8 state or federal law and is not carrying the firearm in furtherance
9 of a crime.

10 Except as provided in subsection B of Section 1283 of this
11 title, a person who has been convicted of any one of the following
12 offenses in this state or a violation of the equivalent law of
13 another state:

- 14 a. assault and battery pursuant to the provisions of
15 Section 644 of this title which caused serious
16 physical injury to the victim,
- 17 b. aggravated assault and battery pursuant to the
18 provisions of Section 646 of this title,
- 19 c. assault and battery that qualifies as domestic abuse
20 as defined in Section 644 of this title,
- 21 d. stalking pursuant to the provisions of Section 1173 of
22 this title,

1 e. a violation of an order issued under the Protection
2 from Domestic Abuse Act or a domestic abuse protection
3 order issued by another state, or

4 f. a violation relating to illegal drug use or possession
5 under the provisions of the Uniform Controlled
6 Dangerous Substances Act,

7 shall be prohibited from carrying a firearm under the provisions of
8 this paragraph. Any person who carries a firearm in the manner
9 provided for in this paragraph shall be prohibited from carrying the
10 firearm into any of the places prohibited in subsection A of Section
11 1277 of this title or any other place currently prohibited by law.
12 Nothing in this section shall modify or otherwise change where a
13 person may legally carry a firearm.

14 B. Any person convicted of violating the foregoing provision
15 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided in Section
16 1276 of this title.

17 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1277, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 1277.

20 UNLAWFUL CARRY IN CERTAIN PLACES

21 A. It shall be unlawful for any person, including a person in
22 possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the
23 provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry any concealed
24 or unconcealed firearm into any of the following places:

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

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

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

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

14 5. Any place where gambling is authorized by law, unless
15 allowed by the property owner;

16 6. Any other place specifically prohibited by law; and

17 7. Any property set aside by a county, city, town, public trust
18 with a county, city, or town as a beneficiary, or state governmental
19 authority for an event that is secured with ~~minimum security~~ minimum
20 security provisions. For purposes of this paragraph, a ~~minimum-~~
21 ~~security~~ minimum security provision consists of a location that is
22 secured utilizing the following:

- 23 a. a metallic-style security fence that is at least eight
24 (8) feet in height that encompasses the property and

1 is secured in such a way as to deter unauthorized
2 entry,

3 b. controlled access points staffed by a uniformed,
4 commissioned peace officer, and

5 c. a metal detector whereby persons walk or otherwise
6 travel with their property through or by the metal
7 detector.

8 B. It shall be lawful for a person to carry a concealed or
9 unconcealed firearm on the following properties:

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

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

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

19 4. Any property designated by a city, town, county, or state
20 governmental authority as a park, recreational area, wildlife
21 refuge, wildlife management area, or fairgrounds; provided, nothing
22 in this paragraph shall be construed to authorize any entry by a
23 person in possession of a concealed or unconcealed firearm into any
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1 structure, building, office space or event which is specifically
2 prohibited by the provisions of subsection A of this section;

3 5. Any property set aside by a public or private elementary or
4 secondary school for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether
5 attended or unattended; provided, however, the firearm shall be
6 stored and hidden from view in a locked motor vehicle when the motor
7 vehicle is left unattended on school property; and

8 6. Any public property set aside temporarily by a county, city,
9 town, public trust with a county, city, or town as a beneficiary, or
10 state governmental authority for the holder of an event permit that
11 is without ~~minimum security~~ minimum security provisions, as such
12 term is defined in paragraph 7 of subsection A of this section;
13 provided, the carry of firearms within ~~said~~ the permitted event area
14 shall be limited to concealed carry of a handgun unless otherwise
15 authorized by the holder of the event permit.

16 Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection or
17 subsection C of this section shall be construed to authorize or
18 allow any person in control of any place described in subsection A
19 of this section to establish any policy or rule that has the effect
20 of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a handgun license
21 or otherwise in lawful possession of a firearm from carrying or
22 possessing the firearm on the property described in this subsection.

23 C. A concealed or unconcealed weapon may be carried onto
24 private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by any

1 private school for transportation of students or teachers by a
2 person who is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act,
3 provided a policy has been adopted by the governing entity of the
4 private school that authorizes the carrying and possession of a
5 weapon on private school property or in any school bus or vehicle
6 used by a private school. Except for acts of gross negligence or
7 willful or wanton misconduct, a governing entity of a private school
8 that adopts a policy which authorizes the possession of a weapon on
9 private school property, a school bus, or a vehicle used by the
10 private school shall not be subject to liability for any injuries
11 arising from the adoption of the policy. The provisions of this
12 subsection shall not apply to claims pursuant to the Administrative
13 Workers' Compensation Act.

14 D. ~~Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section,~~
15 ~~a~~ A board of education of a school district may adopt a policy
16 pursuant to Section 5-149.2 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes to
17 authorize the carrying of a handgun onto school property by school
18 personnel specifically designated by the board of education,
19 provided such personnel either:

20 1. Possess a valid armed security guard license as provided for
21 in ~~Section 1750.1 et seq. of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ the
22 Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act; or

23 2. Hold a valid reserve peace officer certification as provided
24 for in Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

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

3 E. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection A of this
4 section, on any property designated as a municipal zoo or park of
5 any size that is owned, leased, operated, or managed by:

6 1. A public trust created pursuant to the provisions of Section
7 176 of Title 60 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or

8 2. A nonprofit entity,
9 an individual shall be allowed to carry a concealed handgun but not
10 openly carry a handgun on the property.

11 F. Any person violating the provisions of paragraph 2 or 3 of
12 subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a
13 misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty
14 Dollars (\$250.00). A person violating any other provision of
15 subsection A of this section may be denied entrance onto the
16 property or removed from the property. If the person refuses to
17 leave the property and a peace officer is summoned, the person may
18 be issued a citation for an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty
19 Dollars (\$250.00).

20 G. No person in possession of a valid handgun license issued
21 pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or who
22 is carrying or in possession of a firearm as otherwise permitted by
23 law or who is carrying or in possession of a machete, blackjack,
24 loaded cane, or hand chain ~~or metal knuckles~~ shall be authorized to

1 carry the firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, or hand chain ~~or~~
2 ~~metal knuckles~~ into or upon any college, university, or technology
3 center school property, except as provided in this subsection. For
4 purposes of this subsection, the following property shall not be
5 construed to be college, university, or technology center school
6 property:

7 1. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any motor
8 vehicle, whether attended or unattended, provided the firearm,
9 machete, blackjack, loaded cane, or hand chain ~~or metal knuckles~~ are
10 carried or stored as required by law and the firearm, machete,
11 blackjack, loaded cane, or hand chain ~~or metal knuckles~~ are not
12 removed from the motor vehicle without the prior consent of the
13 college or university president or technology center school
14 administrator while the vehicle is on any college, university, or
15 technology center school property;

16 2. Any property authorized for possession or use of firearms,
17 machetes, blackjacks, loaded canes, or hand chains ~~or metal knuckles~~
18 by college, university, or technology center school policy; and

19 3. Any property authorized by the written consent of the
20 college or university president or technology center school
21 administrator, provided the written consent is carried with the
22 firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, or hand chain ~~or metal~~
23 ~~knuckles~~ and the valid handgun license while on college, university,
24 or technology center school property.

1 The college, university, or technology center school may notify
2 the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation within ten (10) days of a
3 violation of any provision of this subsection by a licensee. Upon
4 receipt of a written notification of violation, the Bureau shall
5 give a reasonable notice to the licensee and hold a hearing. At the
6 hearing, upon a determination that the licensee has violated any
7 provision of this subsection, the licensee may be subject to an
8 administrative fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may
9 have the handgun license suspended for three (3) months.

10 Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection shall be
11 construed to authorize or allow any college, university, or
12 technology center school to establish any policy or rule that has
13 the effect of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a
14 handgun license or any person in lawful possession of a firearm,
15 machete, blackjack, loaded cane, or hand chain ~~or metal knuckles~~
16 from possession of a firearm, machete, blackjack, loaded cane, or
17 hand chain ~~or metal knuckles~~ in places described in paragraphs 1, 2,
18 and 3 of this subsection. Nothing contained in any provision of
19 this subsection shall be construed to limit the authority of any
20 college, university, or technology center school in this state from
21 taking administrative action against any student for any violation
22 of any provision of this subsection.

23 H. 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 firearm 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;

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

18 5. The sheriff of any county may authorize certain employees of
19 the county, who possess a valid handgun license issued pursuant to
20 the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, to carry a
21 concealed handgun when acting in the course and scope of employment
22 within the courthouse in the county in which the person is employed.
23 Nothing in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall prohibit the sheriff
24 from requiring additional instruction or training before granting

1 authorization to carry a concealed handgun within the courthouse.
2 The provisions of this paragraph and of paragraph 6 of this
3 subsection shall not allow the county employee to carry the handgun
4 into a courtroom, sheriff's office, adult or juvenile jail, or any
5 other prisoner detention area; and

6 6. The board of county commissioners of any county may
7 authorize certain employees of the county, who possess a valid
8 handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma
9 Self-Defense Act, to carry a concealed handgun when acting in the
10 course and scope of employment on county annex facilities or grounds
11 surrounding the county courthouse.

12 I. For the purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means any
13 automobile, truck, minivan, sports utility vehicle, or motorcycle,
14 as defined in Section 1-135 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
15 equipped with a locked accessory container within or affixed to the
16 motorcycle.

17 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1287, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 1287.

20 USE OF FIREARM WHILE COMMITTING A FELONY

21 A. Any person who, while committing or attempting to commit a
22 felony, possesses a pistol, shotgun, ~~or~~ rifle or any other offensive
23 weapon in such commission or attempt, whether the pistol, shotgun,
24 or rifle is loaded or not, or who possesses a blank or imitation
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1 pistol, altered air or toy pistol, shotgun, or rifle capable of
2 raising in the mind of one threatened with such device a fear that
3 it is a real pistol, shotgun, or rifle, or who possesses an air gun
4 or carbon dioxide or other gas-filled weapon, electronic dart gun,
5 conductive energy weapon, knife, dagger, dirk, switchblade knife,
6 blackjack, ax, loaded cane, billy, or hand chain ~~or metal knuckles~~,
7 in addition to the penalty provided by statute for the felony
8 committed or attempted shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony
9 for possessing such weapon or device, which shall be a separate
10 offense from the felony committed or attempted and shall be
11 punishable by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of
12 Corrections for a period ~~of~~ not less than two (2) years nor for more
13 than ten (10) years for the first offense, and for a period ~~of~~ not
14 less than ten (10) years nor more than thirty (30) years for any
15 second or subsequent offense.

16 B. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this
17 section after having been issued a handgun license pursuant to the
18 provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall have the license
19 revoked and shall be liable for an administrative fine of One
20 Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) upon a hearing and determination by the
21 Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation that the person is in
22 violation of the provisions of this section.

23 C. As used in this section:
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1. "Altered toy pistol" shall mean any toy weapon which has been altered from its original manufactured state to resemble a real weapon; and

2. "Altered air pistol" shall mean any air pistol manufactured to propel projectiles by air pressure which has been altered from its original manufactured state.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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