

1 HB393
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, a person convicted of
9 specified crimes loses his or her civil rights,
10 including the right to bear arms.

11 This bill would provide for the automatic
12 restoration of the civil rights, including, without
13 limitation, the right to bear arms of each person
14 who has lost his or her rights including the right
15 to bear arms by reason of conviction in a state or
16 federal court, except convictions for impeachment
17 or treason, if the person has fulfilled the
18 conditions of his or her sentence relating to
19 imprisonment or has been granted a full and
20 unconditional pardon.

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22 A BILL
23 TO BE ENTITLED
24 AN ACT

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26 To provide for the automatic restoration of the
27 civil rights, including, without limitation, the right to bear

1 arms of each person who has lost his or her civil rights
2 including the right to bear arms, by reason of conviction in a
3 state or federal court, except convictions for impeachment or
4 treason, if the person has fulfilled the conditions of his or
5 her sentence relating to imprisonment or has been granted a
6 full and unconditional pardon.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8 Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law,
9 a person who has lost his or her civil rights including the
10 right to bear arms by reason of conviction in a state or
11 federal court, except convictions for impeachment or treason,
12 who has fulfilled the terms of his or her sentence relating to
13 imprisonment or has been granted a full and unconditional
14 pardon shall automatically be restored to all of his or her
15 civil rights including, without limitation, the right to bear
16 arms.

17 (b) A pardon granted by the board shall be deemed to
18 be a full, unconditional pardon unless the official document
19 explicitly limits the restoration of the civil rights of the
20 person or does not relieve the person of all disabilities
21 incurred upon conviction.

22 (c) The board shall issue a document to the person
23 on a form prepared by the board which shall state that the
24 rights of the person have been fully restored.

25 Section 2. All laws or parts of laws which conflict
26 with this act are repealed.

1 Section 3. This act shall become effective on the
2 first day of the third month following its passage and
3 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.