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AN ACT

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 72

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BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK

WEAPONS: Provides relative to the carrying of concealed weapons

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1379.3(B) and to enact R.S. 14:95(L), relative to the carrying
3	of concealed weapons; to provide relative to the crime of illegal carrying of
4	weapons; to provide an exception to the crime for certain persons; to provide relative
5	to concealed handgun permits; to provide relative to the authority of a person to carry
6	a concealed handgun without a permit; and to provide for related matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. This Act is known and may be cited as the "Louisiana Constitutional
9	Carry Act of 2020".
0	Section 2. R.S. 14:95(L) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
1	§95. Illegal carrying of weapons
12	* * *
13	L. The provisions of Paragraph (A)(1) of this Section shall not apply to a
4	person if all of the following conditions are met:
15	(1) The person is not prohibited from possessing the firearm under R.S.
16	14:95.1 or any other state or federal law.
17	(2) The firearm was not illegally manufactured or obtained by the person.
18	Section 3. R.S. 40:1379.3(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

1	§1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures;
2	definitions
3	* * *
4	B.(1) A concealed handgun permit shall be issued only to a Louisiana
5	resident who qualifies for a permit under the provisions of this Section. A concealed
6	handgun permit issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall grant authority
7	to a Louisiana resident to carry a concealed handgun on his person.
8	(2) A Louisiana resident shall be required to possess a valid concealed
9	handgun permit issued by the state of Louisiana pursuant to the provisions of this
10	Section in order to carry a concealed handgun in the state of Louisiana.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Exempts certain persons from the crime of illegal carrying of weapons, and removes the requirement that a person possess a permit issued by the state of La. in order to carry a concealed handgun in the state of La.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 14:95) prohibits the carrying of a concealed firearm, provides for criminal penalties, and provides for certain exceptions to the offense.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates an exception to this prohibition for any person who did not illegally obtain nor manufacture the firearm and who is not prohibited from possessing a firearm under any state or federal law.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 40:1379.3) provides that Louisiana residents who meet certain eligibility requirements may apply for and be issued a concealed handgun permit authorizing the person to carry a concealed handgun on his person in the state of Louisiana. <u>Present law</u> requires the person to possess a valid concealed handgun permit issued by the state of La. in order to carry a concealed handgun in the state of La.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to remove the requirement that a person possess a permit issued by the state of La. in order to carry a concealed handgun in the state of La.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that it shall be known and may be cited as the "Louisiana Constitutional Carry Act of 2020".

(Amends R.S. 40:1379.3(B); Adds R.S. 14:95(L))

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