

Legislative Analysis



NO CARRY ZONE PROVISIONS: EXPAND EXEMPTIONS

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House Bill 4159 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Joel Johnson
Committee: Judiciary

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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4051 would allow the following individuals who had a license to carry a concealed pistol to carry that pistol in a "no-carry" zone:

- Retired corrections officer of a county sheriff's department.
- Active or retired corrections officer, active or retired absconder recovery unit member, or a retired parole or probation officer of the Department of Corrections.

Currently, even if a person holds a concealed pistol license (CPL), he or she cannot carry the concealed pistol into certain places such as day care centers or bars – known as *no-carry zones* or *weapon-free zones* – unless specifically allowed by statute (e.g., a retired police or law enforcement officer). Specifically, the bill would do the following:

House Bill 4159 would amend the Handgun License Act to specifically authorize an active or retired corrections officer or absconder recovery unit member of the Department of Corrections (DOC) who held a concealed pistol license (CPL) under the act to carry a pistol in a no-carry zone. Probation and parole officers of the DOC, and corrections officers of a county sheriff's department, are currently allowed to carry a pistol under a CPL in a no-carry zone; the bill would extend this authority to a retired probation or parole officer or a retired corrections officer of a county sheriff's department. The concealed weapon licensing board could require a letter from a county sheriff's department or the DOC stating that the individual retired in good standing.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no significant fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

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