

Legislative Analysis



CONCEALED WEAPONS ON MILITARY PREMISES

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House Bill 4474 (reported from committee as H-2)

Sponsor: Rep. Gary Glenn

Committee: Military and Veterans Affairs

Complete to 6-6-17

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(Enacted as Public Act 686 of 2018)

SUMMARY:

The bill would amend the Michigan Military Act to specify that an individual licensed to carry a concealed pistol (or who is exempt from licensure) under the Handgun Licensure Act could possess a concealed weapon either on his or her person or properly secured while on the premises of an armory or any other building or property under the authority and control of the Adjutant General of the Michigan National Guard. All requirements of the Handgun Licensure Act and other state concealed weapons and firearms laws would have to be followed.

The Adjutant General could not promulgate rules unduly burdening on the ability of military personnel to possess a concealed weapon.

(The Adjutant General is the military advisor to the governor and the director of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Under Section 352 of the Michigan Military Act, the operation and control of armories and other military facilities is to be in accordance with policies established by the Adjutant General. Under Section 356, state-owned or leased armories and other military buildings and appurtenances are subject to state laws and regulations with respect to sanitation, health, fire protection and prevention, and such special regulations as the Legislature or the Governor may enact or adopt.)

Proposed MCL 32.738

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs or on state government generally.

POSITIONS:

- Department of Military and Veterans Affairs support the bill. (5-30-17)
- American Legion supports the bill. (5-30-17)
- Military Order of the Purple Heart supports the bill. (5-30-17)
- Vietnam Veterans of America support the bill. (5-30-17)

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