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H.P. 1771

House of Representatives, January 11, 2000

An Act to Limit the Issuance of Concealed Firearms Permits.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative SAXL of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator PINGREE of Knox and
Representatives: DAVIDSON of Brunswick, ETNIER of Harpswell, JABAR of Waterville,
McALEVEY of Waterboro, MURPHY of Kennebunk, MUSE of South Portland, WATSON
of Farmingdale.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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3 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2003, sub-§1, ¶D**, as amended by PL 1993, c.
4 524, §§6 and 7, is further amended by amending subparagraph (5),
5 division (s) to read:

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7 (s) Have you been adjudicated within the past 5
8 years as having committed the juvenile crime
9 defined in Title 15, section 3103, subsection 1,
10 paragraph B of possession of a useable amount of
11 marijuana, as provided in Title 22, section 2383?;
12 and

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14 **Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2003, sub-§1, ¶E**, as amended by PL 1993, c.
15 524, §8 and PL 1995, c. 560, Pt. K, §82 and affected by §83, is
16 further amended by amending subparagraph (5) to read:

17 (5) Demonstrates to the issuing authority a knowledge
18 of handgun safety. The applicant may fully satisfy
19 this requirement by submitting to the issuing
20 authority, through documentation in accordance with
21 this subparagraph, proof that the applicant has within
22 5 years prior to the date of application completed a
23 course that included handgun safety offered by or under
24 the supervision of a federal, state, county or
25 municipal law enforcement agency or a firearms
26 instructor certified by a private firearms association
27 recognized as knowledgeable in matters of firearms
28 safety by the issuing authority or by the state in
29 which the course was taken. A course completion
30 certificate or other document, or a photocopy, is
31 sufficient if it recites or otherwise demonstrates that
32 the course meets all of the requirements of this
33 subparagraph.

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35 As an alternative way of fully satisfying this
36 requirement, an applicant may personally demonstrate
37 knowledge of handgun safety to an issuing authority, if
38 the issuing authority is willing to evaluate an
39 applicant's personal demonstration of such knowledge.
40 The issuing authority is not required to offer this 2nd
41 option.

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43 The demonstration of knowledge of handgun safety to the
44 issuing authority may not be required of any applicant
45 who holds a valid State state permit to carry a
46 concealed firearm as of April 15, 1990 or of any
47 applicant who was or is in any of the Armed Forces of
48 the United States and has received at least basic
49 firearms training; and

