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H.P. 339

House of Representatives, February 10, 2011

An Act To Allow Law Enforcement Officers from Out of State To Carry Concealed Weapons

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Clerk

Presented by Representative CEBRA of Naples.
Cosponsored by Senator SNOWE-MELLO of Androscoggin and
Representatives: BURNS of Whiting, CRAFTS of Lisbon, CUSHING of Hampden, DAVIS of
Sangerville, PLUMMER of Windham, SARTY of Denmark, Senators: DIAMOND of
Cumberland, THOMAS of Somerset.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2001-A, sub-§2, ¶E**, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 452, Pt. N, §2
3 and affected by Pt. X, §2, is amended to read:

4 E. Firearms carried by a person engaged in conduct for which a state-issued hunting
5 or trapping license is required and possessing the required license, or firearms carried
6 by a resident person engaged in conduct expressly authorized by Title 12, section
7 11108 and section 12202, subsection 1. This paragraph does not authorize or permit
8 the carrying of a concealed or loaded firearm in a motor vehicle; ~~and~~

9 **Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2001-A, sub-§2, ¶F**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 555, §1, is
10 further amended to read:

11 F. A firearm carried by a person to whom a valid permit to carry a concealed firearm
12 has been issued by another state if a permit to carry a concealed firearm issued from
13 that state has been granted reciprocity. The Chief of the State Police may enter into
14 reciprocity agreements with any other states that meet the requirements of this
15 paragraph. Reciprocity may be granted to a permit to carry a concealed firearm
16 issued from another state if:

17 (1) The other state that issued the permit to carry a concealed firearm has
18 substantially equivalent or stricter requirements for the issuance of a permit to
19 carry a concealed firearm; and

20 (2) The other state that issued the permit to carry a concealed firearm observes
21 the same rules of reciprocity regarding a person issued a permit to carry a
22 concealed firearm under this chapter; and

23 **Sec. 3. 25 MRSA §2001-A, sub-§2, ¶G** is enacted to read:

24 G. A firearm carried by a law enforcement officer or retired law enforcement officer
25 who is a resident of another state.

26 **SUMMARY**

27 This bill allows a law enforcement officer or retired law enforcement officer who is a
28 resident of another state to carry a firearm in this State without a permit to carry a
29 concealed firearm.