

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 1557

H.P. 1002

House of Representatives, April 11, 2023

**An Act to Increase and Enhance School Safety by Allowing
Individuals with Concealed Carry Permits to Possess Handguns on
School Property**

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative PAUL of Winterport.
Cosponsored by Senator HARRINGTON of York and
Representatives: ANDREWS of Paris, ARDELL of Monticello, BABIN of Fort Fairfield,
DUCHARME of Madison, HENDERSON of Rumford, HYMES of Waldo, SMITH of
Palermo, WHITE of Guilford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRS §6552, sub-§2, ¶D** is enacted to read:

3 D. The prohibition on possession of a firearm does not apply to a person to whom a
4 valid permit to carry a concealed handgun has been issued by an issuing authority in
5 the State as provided in Title 25, chapter 252 and in accordance with federal law. The
6 person must have in that person's possession the permit as required in Title 25, section
7 2003.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill allows a person with a permit to carry concealed handguns to possess a firearm
10 on public school property or the property of an approved private school.