

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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SEPTEMBER 21, 2005

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2005

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of
3 firearms not to be carried without a license and for license
4 to carry firearm.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 6106(b) of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania
8 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a paragraph to read:
9 § 6106. Firearms not to be carried without a license.

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11 (b) Exceptions.--The provisions of subsection (a) shall not
12 apply to:

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14 (14) Any person holding a license in accordance with
15 section 6109(f)(3).

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17 Section 2. Section 6109(f)(1) of Title 18 is amended and the
18 subsection is amended by adding paragraphs to read:

1 § 6109. Licenses.

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3 (f) Term of license.--

4 (1) A license to carry a firearm issued under subsection
5 (e) shall be valid throughout this Commonwealth for a period
6 of five years unless extended under paragraph (3) or sooner
7 revoked.

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9 (3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) or any other provision
10 of law to the contrary, a license to carry a firearm that is
11 held by a member of the United States Armed Forces or the
12 Pennsylvania National Guard on Federal active duty and
13 deployed overseas that is scheduled to expire during the
14 period of deployment shall be extended until 90 days after
15 the end of the deployment.

16 (4) Possession of a license, together with a copy of the
17 person's military orders showing the dates of overseas
18 deployment, including the date that the overseas deployment
19 ends, shall constitute, during the extension period specified
20 in paragraph (3), a defense to any charge filed pursuant to
21 section 6106 (relating to firearms not to be carried without
22 a license) or 6108 (relating to carrying firearms on public
23 streets or public property in Philadelphia).

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25 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.