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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law generally prohibits an individual from carrying a concealed weapon unless the individual has either a license to carry a concealed weapon that is issued by the Department of Justice or a law enforcement identification card indicating that he or she is a qualified current or former law enforcement officer. This bill eliminates the general prohibition against going armed with a concealed weapon without regard to whether the individual has such a license or card.

The bill maintains the option to have a license to carry a concealed weapon or a law enforcement identification card so that licensees or card holders may carry a concealed firearm in other states that require licensure and so that they do not violate federal law when possessing a firearm in a school zone. The federal gun-free school zone law generally prohibits the possession of a firearm in a school zone but exempts an individual who is licensed to possess a firearm by the state in which the school zone is located if the license involves a background check on the individual.

The bill eliminates the general prohibition against carrying a firearm in a tavern, but prohibits a person from consuming alcohol if carrying a firearm in a tavern. The tavern owner may post the tavern against carrying a firearm, and a person who violates the posting is guilty of criminal trespass. The bill also eliminates a prohibition on loading a firearm in a vehicle; under current law, the only exception to this prohibition is for a handgun. The bill expressly prohibits a local government from prohibiting persons from carrying a firearm or knife on a vehicle that is part of a mass public transportation system.

This bill also eliminates the prohibitions against carrying a firearm, bow, or crossbow in a wildlife refuge and eliminates the prohibitions against carrying a firearm, bow, or crossbow while engaging in certain activities, such as operating an all-terrain vehicle. In addition, current law prohibits an individual from shining wildlife while the individual is hunting or possessing a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow. This bill maintains that the individual may not shine wildlife while hunting but eliminates the prohibition on shining while possessing a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow.

As a result, the bill repeals certain statutes which prohibit the actions allowed under the bill. This would required an update to the statutory tables which could be absorbed in the current workload.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None.