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2025 ASSEMBLY BILL 609

October 29, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives GREEN, ARMSTRONG, BEHNKE, CALLAHAN, GOEBEN, KREIBICH, MAXEY, MURPHY, PIWOWARCZYK, SORTWELL, SUMMERFIELD, SWEARINGEN, TUCKER and B. JACOBSON, cosponsored by Senators JACQUE, BRADLEY, FEYEN, NASS, QUINN, STAFSHOLT and WIMBERGER. Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

AN ACT ***to repeal*** 167.31 (1) (cm) and (e) and (2) (a) and (b), 167.31 (3) (a) 2., 167.31 (4) (ag), 167.31 (4) (am), 167.31 (4) (bg), (bn) and (bt), 167.31 (4) (cm) and (d), 173.07 (5) (b), 175.60 (2g), 175.60 (2m) (bm), 175.60 (3) (c), (d) and (e), 175.60 (11) (a) 2. b. to i., 175.60 (11) (b) 2., 3. and 4., 175.60 (14) (am), 175.60 (16) (title), (a) (intro.) and 8. and (b) 3., 175.60 (17) (a), (ac) and (b), 440.26 (3m), 941.23 and 948.605 (1) (ag) and (ar); ***to renumber*** 175.60 (12) (b) 1. a. and b. and 175.60 (16) (a) 1., 2., 3., 4., 5., 6. and 7.; ***to renumber and amend*** 175.60 (11) (b) 1., 175.60 (12) (b) 2., 175.60 (15m), 175.60 (16) (b) (intro.), 1. and 2. and 175.60 (21) (c); ***to consolidate, renumber and amend*** 167.31 (3) (a) (intro.) and 1. and 175.60 (11) (a) 2. (intro.) and a.; ***to amend*** 29.089 (2) (a), (b) and (c), 29.091 (2) (a), (b) and (c), 29.301 (1) (b), 29.621 (4) (a), (b) and (c), 110.07 (1) (a) 1. and 3. and (b), 167.31 (2) (c), 167.31 (2) (d), 167.31 (2) (e), 167.31 (4) (a) (intro.), 167.31 (4) (b), 167.31 (4) (c), 167.31 (4) (cg) (intro.),

167.31 (4) (f), 167.31 (4) (i) and (j), 175.60 (2) (c), 175.60 (2m) (a), 175.60 (5) (a) (intro.), 175.60 (5) (a) 1., 175.60 (5) (a) 6., 175.60 (9) (b) 2., 175.60 (9g) (a) 2., 175.60 (9g) (a) 3. a. and b., 175.60 (12) (a), 175.60 (14) (a), 175.60 (14m) (f) 4. b., 345.11 (1s), 345.20 (2) (f), 813.122 (9) (am) 1. and 2., 813.123 (8m) (a) and (b), 813.125 (5r) (a) and (b), 938.78 (3), 939.632 (1) (e) 3., 941.237 (3) (cr) and (ct), 941.295 (2g) (c), 943.13 (1m) (c) 4., 943.13 (4m) (bm), 948.605 (2) (b) 2d., 2f. and 2h. and (3) (b) 5., 6. and 7. and 968.255 (1) (a) 2.; ***to repeal and recreate*** 941.235; ***to create*** 167.31 (4) (a) 1. and 943.13 (1p) of the statutes; **relating to:** right to carry a weapon in this state, licenses to carry a concealed weapon, and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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 obtain a license to carry a concealed weapon or a law enforcement identification card so that licensees or cardholders 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 does not change the current state gun-free school zone law that allows a licensee to carry a firearm in a school zone anywhere but on school grounds and allows a person who has a law enforcement identification card to carry a firearm anywhere in a school zone. The bill also does not change current state law with regards to other places in which only a licensee may carry a firearm, such as wildlife refuges, fish hatcheries, or, if the licensee is not consuming alcohol, taverns.

Under current law, before DOJ may issue a person a license to carry a concealed weapon, DOJ must perform a background check to ensure that the person is not prohibited from possessing a firearm under either state law or federal

law. Under the bill, DOJ must perform a background check to ensure that the person is not prohibited from possessing a firearm only under federal law.

Current law prohibits carrying a firearm in certain buildings, such as a police station, a house of correction, or a secure mental health facility. Under current law, the penalty for violating the prohibition varies depending on whether the person has a license to carry a concealed weapon or not. A licensee who violates the prohibition is subject to a fine of not more than $500 or imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or both, and a person who does not have a license who violates the prohibition is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor (which carries a penalty of a fine of not more than $10,000 or imprisonment for not more than nine months, or both). In addition, current law prohibits a person without a license from carrying a firearm in other government buildings. The bill eliminates that general prohibition but keeps the prohibition for specific places, such as a police station, a house of corrections, or a secure mental health facility. The bill also adds to the list of prohibited places a place that has been declared a nuisance and any place prohibited under federal law; the bill also eliminates the distinction for penalties based on licensure status so that any person who violates the prohibition is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

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 also reduces the distance a person must be from a hospital, sanatorium, or school to hunt, from 1,700 feet to 1,200 feet.

Because this bill creates a new crime or revises a penalty for an existing crime, the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties may be requested to prepare a report.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 29.089 (2) (a), (b) and (c) of the statutes are amended to read:

29.089 **(2)** (a) A person who is employed in this state by a public agency as a law enforcement officer and ~~to whom s. 941.23 (1) (g) 2. to 5. and (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

(b) A qualified out-of-state law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (g), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

(c) A former law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (c), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (c) 1. to 7. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926C.

SECTION 2. 29.091 (2) (a), (b) and (c) of the statutes are amended to read:

29.091 **(2)** (a) A person who is employed in this state by a public agency as a law enforcement officer and ~~to whom s. 941.23 (1) (g) 2. to 5. and (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

(b) A qualified out-of-state law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (g), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

(c) A former law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (c), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (c) 1. to 7. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926C.

SECTION 3. 29.301 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

29.301 **(1)** (b) No person may hunt within ~~1,700~~ 1,200 feet of any hospital, sanatorium, or the grounds of any school. The department may designate the form for or furnish signs designating the restricted area. No person may be convicted of a violation of this paragraph unless the restricted area is designated by the signs.

SECTION 4. 29.621 (4) (a), (b) and (c) of the statutes are amended to read:

29.621 **(4)** (a) A person who is employed in this state by a public agency as a law enforcement officer and ~~to whom s. 941.23 (1) (g) 2. to 5. and (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

(b) A qualified out-of-state law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (g), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

(c) A former law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (c), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (c) 1. to 7. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926C.

SECTION 5. 110.07 (1) (a) 1. and 3. and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

110.07 **(1)** (a) 1. Enforce and assist in the administration of this chapter and chs. 194, 218, 341 to 349 and 351, and ss. 23.33, 23.335, 125.07 (4) (b), 125.085 (3) (b), 167.31 (2) ~~(b) to~~ (c) and (d) and 287.81 and ch. 350 where applicable to highways, or orders or rules issued pursuant thereto.

3. Have authority to enter any place where vehicles subject to this chapter, ss. 167.31 (2) ~~(b) to~~ (c) and (d) and 287.81 and chs. 194, 218 and 341 to 350 are stored or parked at any time to examine such vehicles, or to stop such vehicles while en route at any time upon the public highways to examine the same and make arrests for all violations thereof.

(b) All municipal judges, judges, district attorneys and law enforcement officers shall assist in enforcing this chapter, ss. 167.31 (2) ~~(b) to~~ (c) and (d) and 287.81 and chs. 194, 218 and 341 to 351, and orders or rules issued pursuant thereto and shall report to the department the disposition of every uniform traffic citation issued for cases involving those chapters.

SECTION 6. 167.31 (1) (cm) and (e) and (2) (a) and (b) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 7. 167.31 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 **(2)** (c) Except as provided in sub. (4), no person may ~~load a firearm, other than a handgun, in a vehicle or~~ discharge a firearm or airgun or shoot a bolt or an arrow from a bow or crossbow in or from a vehicle.

SECTION 8. 167.31 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 **(2)** (d) Except as provided in sub. (4) (a), ~~(bg),~~ (cg), (e), (fm), (g), and (k),

no person may discharge a firearm or airgun or shoot a bolt or an arrow from a bow or crossbow from or across a highway or within 50 feet of the center of a roadway.

SECTION 9. 167.31 (2) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 **(2)** (e) A person who violates ~~pars. (a) to~~ par. (c) or (d) is subject to a forfeiture of not more than $100.

SECTION 10. 167.31 (3) (a) (intro.) and 1. of the statutes are consolidated, renumbered 167.31 (3) (a) and amended to read:

167.31 **(3)** (a) Except as provided in sub. (4), no person may ~~do any of the following: 1. Place~~ place, possess, or transport a firearm, bow, or crossbow in or on a commercial aircraft, unless the firearm is unloaded and encased or unless the bow or crossbow is unstrung or is enclosed in a carrying case.

SECTION 11. 167.31 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 12. 167.31 (4) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 **(4)** (a) (intro.) ~~Subsections~~ The prohibitions in subs. (2) and (3) do not apply to any of the following who~~,~~ are acting in the line of duty~~, place, possess, transport, load or discharge a firearm or airgun in, on or from a vehicle, motorboat or aircraft or discharge a firearm or airgun from or across a highway or within 50 feet of the center of a roadway~~:

SECTION 13. 167.31 (4) (a) 1. of the statutes is created to read:

167.31 **(4)** (a) 1. A peace officer.

SECTION 14. 167.31 (4) (ag) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 15. 167.31 (4) (am) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 16. 167.31 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 **(4)** (b) Subsections (2) ~~(a), (b) and~~ (c), (3) (a) and (b), and (3m) do not apply to the holder of a scientific research license under s. 169.25 or a scientific collector permit under s. 29.614 who is using a net gun or tranquilizer gun in an activity related to the purpose for which the license or permit was issued.

SECTION 17. 167.31 (4) (bg), (bn) and (bt) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 18. 167.31 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 **(4)** (c) Subsection (2) ~~(b) and~~ (c) does not apply to the holder of a Class A or Class B permit under s. 29.193 (2) who is hunting from a stationary vehicle.

SECTION 19. 167.31 (4) (cg) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 **(4)** (cg) (intro.) A holder of a Class A or Class B permit under s. 29.193 (2) who is hunting from a stationary vehicle may ~~load and~~ discharge a firearm or airgun or shoot a bolt or an arrow within 50 feet of the center of a roadway if all of the following apply:

SECTION 20. 167.31 (4) (cm) and (d) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 21. 167.31 (4) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 **(4)** (f) Subsection (2) (d) does not prohibit a person from possessing a loaded firearm or airgun within 50 feet of the center of a roadway if the person does not violate sub. (2) ~~(b) or~~ (c).

SECTION 22. 167.31 (4) (i) and (j) of the statutes are amended to read:

167.31 **(4)** (i) Subsection (2) ~~(b) and~~ (c) does not apply to a person legally hunting from a stationary nonmotorized vehicle that is not attached to a motor vehicle.

(j) Subsection (2) ~~(b) and~~ (c) does not apply to a person legally hunting from a stationary motor vehicle if the person is hunting from a part of the vehicle or a piece of equipment attached to the vehicle that is raised by mechanical means not fewer than 5 feet above the ground or above the lowered resting position of the part or piece of equipment, whichever is higher.

SECTION 23. 173.07 (5) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 24. 175.60 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(2)** (c) Unless expressly provided in this section, this section does not limit an individual's right to carry a firearm, whether that firearm is concealed or is not concealed or whether or not the individual is a licensee or an out-of-state licensee.

SECTION 25. 175.60 (2g) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 26. 175.60 (2m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(2m)** (a) Subject to pars. (b), ~~(bm),~~ (c), and (d), the department shall design a single license document for licenses issued and renewed under this section. ~~The department shall complete the design of the license document no later than September 1, 2011.~~

SECTION 27. 175.60 (2m) (bm) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 28. 175.60 (3) (c), (d) and (e) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 29. 175.60 (5) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(5)** (a) (intro.) The department shall design an application form for use by individuals who apply for a license under this section and a renewal form for use by individuals applying for renewal of a license under sub. (15). ~~The department~~

~~shall complete the design of the application form no later than September 1, 2011, and shall complete the design of the renewal form no later than July 1, 2014.~~ The forms shall require the applicant to provide only his or her name, address, date of birth, state identification card number, race, sex, height, and eye color and shall include all of the following:

SECTION 30. 175.60 (5) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(5)** (a) 1. A statement that the applicant is ineligible for a license if sub. (3) (a), (b), ~~(c), (d), (e),~~ (f), or (g) applies to the applicant.

SECTION 31. 175.60 (5) (a) 6. of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(5)** (a) 6. A statement of the places under ~~sub. (16)~~ s. 941.235 where a licensee is prohibited from carrying a weapon, as well as an explanation of the provisions under ~~sub. (15m) and~~ ss. 943.13 (1m) (c) and 948.605 (2) (b) 1r. that could limit the places where the licensee may carry a weapon, with a place for the applicant to sign his or her name to indicate that he or she has read and understands the statement.

SECTION 32. 175.60 (9) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(9)** (b) 2. Deny the application, but only if sub. (3) (a), (b), ~~(c), (d), (e),~~ (f), or (g) applies to the applicant. If the department denies the application, the department shall inform the applicant in writing, stating the reason and factual basis for the denial.

SECTION 33. 175.60 (9g) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(9g)** (a) 2. The department shall conduct a criminal history record search and shall search its records and conduct a search in the national instant criminal background check system to determine whether the applicant is

prohibited from possessing a firearm under federal law~~; whether the applicant is prohibited from possessing a firearm under s. 941.29; whether the applicant is prohibited from possessing a firearm under s. 51.20 (13) (cv) 1., 2007 stats.; whether the applicant has been ordered not to possess a firearm under s. 51.20 (13) (cv) 1., 51.45 (13) (i) 1., 54.10 (3) (f) 1., or 55.12 (10) (a); whether the applicant is subject to an injunction under s. 813.12 or 813.122, or a tribal injunction, as defined in s. 813.12 (1) (e), issued by a court established by any federally recognized Wisconsin Indian tribe or band, except the Menominee Indian tribe of Wisconsin, that includes notice to the respondent that he or she is subject to the requirements and penalties under s. 941.29 and that has been filed with the circuit court under s. 813.128 (3g); and whether the applicant is prohibited from possessing a firearm under s. 813.123 (5m) or 813.125 (4m); and to determine if the court has prohibited the applicant from possessing a dangerous weapon under s. 969.02 (3) (c) or 969.03 (1) (c) and if the applicant is prohibited from possessing a dangerous weapon as a condition of release under s. 969.01~~.

SECTION 34. 175.60 (9g) (a) 3. a. and b. of the statutes are amended to read:

175.60 **(9g)** (a) 3. a. If the background check indicates sub. (3) (b)~~, (c), (d), or (e)~~ applies to the applicant, create a unique nonapproval number for the applicant.

b. If the completed background check does not indicate that sub. (3) (b)~~, (c), (d), or (e)~~ applies to the applicant, create a unique approval number for the applicant.

SECTION 35. 175.60 (11) (a) 2. (intro.) and a. of the statutes are consolidated, renumbered 175.60 (11) (a) 2. and amended to read:

175.60 **(11)** (a) 2. The court automated information systems, or the clerk or register in probate, if the information is not contained in or cannot be transmitted

by the court automated information systems, shall promptly notify the department of the name of any individual ~~with respect to whom any of the following occurs and the specific reason for the notification: a. The individual~~ who is ~~found by~~ subject to a court ~~to have committed a felony or any other crime that would disqualify the individual from having a license under this section~~ finding that renders the individual to be prohibited from possessing a firearm under federal law.

SECTION 36. 175.60 (11) (a) 2. b. to i. of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 37. 175.60 (11) (b) 1. of the statutes is renumbered 175.60 (11) (b) and amended to read:

175.60 **(11)** (b) No later than 30 days after changing his or her address, a licensee shall inform the department of the new address. The department shall include the individual's new address in the list under sub. (12) (a). The penalty under s. 939.61 does not apply to a violation under this paragraph.

SECTION 38. 175.60 (11) (b) 2., 3. and 4. of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 39. 175.60 (12) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(12)** (a) The department shall maintain a computerized record listing the names and the information specified in sub. (2m) (b) of all individuals who have been issued a license under this section and all individuals issued a certification card under s. 175.49 (3). Subject to par. (b) ~~1.~~ 2. b., neither the department nor any employee of the department may store, maintain, format, sort, or access the information in any way other than by the names, dates of birth, or sex of licensees or individuals or by the identification numbers assigned to licensees under sub. (2m) (b) 6.

SECTION 40. 175.60 (12) (b) 1. a. and b. of the statutes are renumbered 175.60 (12) (b) 2. a. and b.

SECTION 41. 175.60 (12) (b) 2. of the statutes is renumbered 175.60 (12) (b) 2. (intro.) and amended to read:

175.60 **(12)** (b) 2. (intro.) A person who is a law enforcement officer in a state other than Wisconsin may request and be provided information under ~~subd. 1. a. and b.~~ par. (a) concerning a specific individual only for one of the following purposes:

SECTION 42. 175.60 (14) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(14)** (a) The department shall revoke a license issued under this section if the department determines that sub. (3) (b), ~~(c), (c),~~ (f), or (g) applies to the licensee.

SECTION 43. 175.60 (14) (am) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 44. 175.60 (14m) (f) 4. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 **(14m)** (f) 4. b. If the appeal is regarding a suspension or revocation, that the suspension or revocation was based on criteria other than those under sub. (14) (a) ~~or (am)~~.

SECTION 45. 175.60 (15m) of the statutes is renumbered 103.08 and amended to read:

103.08 Employer restrictions on carrying a weapon. (1) Except as provided in ~~par. (b)~~ sub. (2), an employer may prohibit ~~a licensee or an out-of-state licensee that it employs~~ an employee from carrying a ~~concealed~~ weapon or a particular type of ~~concealed~~ weapon in the course of the ~~licensee's or out-of-state~~

~~licensee's~~ employee's employment or during any part of the ~~licensee's or out-of-state licensee's~~ employee's course of employment.

(2) An employer may not prohibit ~~a licensee or an out-of-state licensee~~ an employee, as a condition of employment, from carrying a ~~concealed~~ weapon, a particular type of ~~concealed~~ weapon, or ammunition or from storing a weapon, a particular type of weapon, or ammunition in the ~~licensee's or out-of-state licensee's~~ employee's own motor vehicle, regardless of whether the motor vehicle is used in the course of employment or whether the motor vehicle is driven or parked on property used by the employer.

SECTION 46. 175.60 (16) (title), (a) (intro.) and 8. and (b) 3. of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 47. 175.60 (16) (a) 1., 2., 3., 4., 5., 6. and 7. of the statutes are renumbered 941.235 (1) (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g).

SECTION 48. 175.60 (16) (b) (intro.), 1. and 2. of the statutes are renumbered 941.235 (3) (intro.), (a) and (b) and amended to read:

941.235 **(3)** (intro.) The prohibitions under ~~par. (a)~~ sub. (1) do not apply to any of the following:

(a) A weapon in a vehicle driven or parked in a parking facility located in a building that is used as, or any portion of which is used as, a location under ~~par. (a)~~ sub. (1).

(b) A ~~weapon~~ firearm in a courthouse or courtroom if a judge ~~who is a licensee is carrying the weapon~~ is going armed with the firearm or if another ~~licensee or out-~~

~~of state licensee~~ person, whom a judge has permitted ~~in writing~~ to ~~carry a weapon, is carrying the weapon~~ go armed with a firearm, is going armed with the firearm.

SECTION 49. 175.60 (17) (a), (ac) and (b) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 50. 175.60 (21) (c) of the statutes is renumbered 103.08 (3) and amended to read:

103.08 **(3)** An employer that does not prohibit one or more employees from carrying a ~~concealed~~ weapon under sub. ~~(15m)~~ (1) is immune from any liability arising from its decision.

SECTION 51. 345.11 (1s) of the statutes is amended to read:

345.11 **(1s)** The uniform traffic citation shall be used by a traffic officer employed under s. 110.07 for a violation of s. 167.31 (2) ~~(b),~~ (c) or (d) when committed on a highway.

SECTION 52. 345.20 (2) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

345.20 **(2)** (f) Sections 23.50 to 23.85 apply to actions in circuit court to recover forfeitures and weapons surcharges imposed under ch. 814 for violations of s. 167.31 (2) ~~(b),~~ (c)~~,~~ or (d). No points may be assessed against the driving record of a person convicted of a violation of s. 167.31 (2) ~~(b),~~ (c)~~,~~ or (d). The report of conviction shall be forwarded to the department.

SECTION 53. 440.26 (3m) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 54. 813.122 (9) (am) 1. and 2. of the statutes are amended to read:

813.122 **(9)** (am) 1. If an injunction is issued or extended under sub. (5), the clerk of the circuit court shall notify the department of justice of the injunction and shall provide the department of justice with information concerning the period

during which the injunction is in effect and information necessary to identify the respondent for purposes of responding to a request under s. 165.63 or for purposes of a firearms restrictions record search under s. 175.35 (2g) (c) ~~or a background check under s. 175.60 (9g) (a)~~.

2. Except as provided in subd. 3., the department of justice may disclose information that it receives under subd. 1. only to respond to a request under s. 165.63 or as part of a firearms restrictions record search under s. 175.35 (2g) (c) ~~or a background check under s. 175.60 (9g) (a)~~.

SECTION 55. 813.123 (8m) (a) and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

813.123 **(8m)** (a) If an order prohibiting a respondent from possessing a firearm is issued under sub. (5m), the clerk of the circuit court shall notify the department of justice of the existence of the order prohibiting a respondent from possessing a firearm and shall provide the department of justice with information concerning the period during which the order is in effect and information necessary to identify the respondent for purposes of responding to a request under s. 165.63 or for purposes of a firearms restrictions record search under s. 175.35 (2g) (c) ~~or a background check under s. 175.60 (9g) (a)~~.

(b) Except as provided in par. (c), the department of justice may disclose information that it receives under par. (a) only to respond to a request under s. 165.63 or as part of a firearms restrictions record search under s. 175.35 (2g) (c) ~~or a background check under s. 175.60 (9g) (a)~~.

SECTION 56. 813.125 (5r) (a) and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

813.125 **(5r)** (a) If an order prohibiting a respondent from possessing a firearm is issued under sub. (4m), the clerk of the circuit court shall notify the

department of justice of the existence of the order prohibiting a respondent from possessing a firearm and shall provide the department of justice with information concerning the period during which the order is in effect and information necessary to identify the respondent for purposes of responding to a request under s. 165.63 or for purposes of a firearms restrictions record search under s. 175.35 (2g) (c) ~~or a background check under s. 175.60 (9g) (a)~~.

(b) Except as provided in par. (c), the department of justice may disclose information that it receives under par. (a) only to respond to a request under s. 165.63 or as part of a firearms restrictions record search under s. 175.35 (2g) (c) ~~or a background check under s. 175.60 (9g) (a)~~.

SECTION 57. 938.78 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

938.78 **(3)** RELEASE OF INFORMATION WHEN ESCAPE OR ABSENCE; RULES. If a juvenile adjudged delinquent under s. 48.12, 1993 stats., or s. 938.12 or found to be in need of protection or services under s. 48.13 (12) or (14), 1993 stats., or s. 938.13 (12) or (14) on the basis of a violation of s. 943.23 (1m) or (1r), 1999 stats., or s. 943.23 (1g), 2021 stats., or s. 941.10, 941.11, 941.20, 941.21, ~~941.23,~~ 941.231, 941.235, 941.237, 941.26, 941.28, 941.295, 941.298, 941.30, 941.31, 941.32, 941.325, 943.02, 943.03, 943.04, 943.10 (2) (a), 943.231 (1), 943.32 (2), 948.02, 948.025, 948.03, 948.05, 948.055, 948.085 (2), 948.60, 948.605, or 948.61 or any crime specified in ch. 940 has escaped from a juvenile correctional facility, residential care center for children and youth, secured residential care center for children and youth, inpatient facility, as defined in s. 51.01 (10), juvenile detention facility, or juvenile portion of a county jail, or from the custody of a peace officer or a guard of such a facility, center, or jail, or has been allowed to leave a juvenile

correctional facility, residential care center for children and youth, secured residential care center for children and youth, inpatient facility, juvenile detention facility, or juvenile portion of a county jail for a specified time period and is absent from the facility, center, home, or jail for more than 12 hours after the expiration of the specified period, the department of corrections or county department, whichever has supervision over the juvenile, may release the juvenile's name and any information about the juvenile that is necessary for the protection of the public or to secure the juvenile's return to the facility, center, home, or jail. The department of corrections shall promulgate rules establishing guidelines for the release of the juvenile's name or information about the juvenile to the public.

SECTION 58. 939.632 (1) (e) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

939.632 **(1)** (e) 3. Any misdemeanor under s. 940.19 (1), 940.225 (3m), 940.32 (2), 940.42, 940.44, 941.20 (1), ~~941.23,~~ 941.231, 941.235, or 941.38 (3).

SECTION 59. 941.23 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 60. 941.235 of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

941.235 Prohibited places for firearms. (1) No person may go armed with a firearm in any of the following places:

(h) A place that has been declared or adjudged a nuisance, as defined in s. 289.55 (1) (a).

(i) Any place where federal law prohibits a person from going armed with a firearm.

(2) A person who violates sub. (1) is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 61. 941.237 (3) (cr) and (ct) of the statutes are amended to read:

941.237 **(3)** (cr) A qualified out-of-state law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (g), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

(ct) A former law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (c), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (c) 1. to 7. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926C.

SECTION 62. 941.295 (2g) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

941.295 **(2g)** (c) An individual who has a license or permit issued under s. 440.26~~,~~ and who is on official duty~~, and who may carry a firearm under rules promulgated under s. 440.26 (3m)~~.

SECTION 63. 943.13 (1m) (c) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

943.13 **(1m)** (c) 4. While carrying a firearm, enters or remains in any part of a building that is owned, occupied, or controlled by the state or any local governmental unit, excluding any building or portion of a building under s. ~~175.60 (16) (a)~~ 941.235, if the state or local governmental unit has notified the actor not to enter or remain in the building while carrying a firearm or with that type of firearm. This subdivision does not apply to a person who leases residential or business premises in the building or, if the firearm is in a vehicle driven or parked in the parking facility, to any part of the building used as a parking facility.

SECTION 64. 943.13 (1p) of the statutes is created to read:

943.13 **(1p)** Unless sub. (1m) (c) specifically allows a person to prohibit entering or remaining in or at the location while carrying a firearm, an individual does not violate this section only because he or she is carrying a firearm while entering or remaining in or at a location.

SECTION 65. 943.13 (4m) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:

943.13 **(4m)** (bm) Subsection (1m) (c) 2. and 4. does not apply to a law enforcement officer employed in this state by a public agency ~~to whom s. 941.23 (1) (g) 2. to 5. and (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B, to a tactical emergency medical services professional certified under s. 165.85 (3) acting in the line of duty, to a qualified out-of-state law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (g), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B, or to a former law enforcement officer~~, as defined in s. 941.23 (1) (c), to whom s. 941.23 (2) (c) 1. to 7. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926C if the law enforcement officer, the tactical emergency medical services professional, the qualified out-of-state law enforcement officer, or the former law enforcement officer is in or on the grounds of a school, as defined in s. 948.61 (1) (b).

SECTION 66. 948.605 (1) (ag) and (ar) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 67. 948.605 (2) (b) 2d., 2f. and 2h. and (3) (b) 5., 6. and 7. of the statutes are amended to read:

948.605 **(2)** (b) 2d. A person who is employed in this state by a public agency as a law enforcement officer and ~~to whom s. 941.23 (1) (g) 2. to 5. and (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

2f. A qualified out-of-state law enforcement officer ~~to whom s. 941.23 (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

2h. A former law enforcement officer ~~to whom s. 941.23 (2) (c) 1. to 7. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926C.

(3) (b) 5. By a person who is employed in this state by a public agency as a law

enforcement officer and ~~to whom s. 941.23 (1) (g) 2. to 5. and (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

6. By a qualified out-of-state law enforcement officer ~~to whom s. 941.23 (2) (b) 1. to 3. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926B.

7. By a former law enforcement officer ~~to whom s. 941.23 (2) (c) 1. to 7. applies~~ who is in compliance with 18 USC 926C.

SECTION 68. 968.255 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

968.255 **(1)** (a) 2. A person arrested for any misdemeanor under s. 167.30 (1), 940.19, 941.20 (1), ~~941.23,~~ 941.231, 941.237, 948.60, or 948.61.

(END)