

## **100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

# State of Illinois

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 66/80

Amends the Firearm Concealed Carry Act. Provides that the Department of State Police shall allow by rule a waiver process for a person seeking to become a certified firearms instructor who meets all the other requirements of the Act except the high school education requirements.

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AN ACT concerning safety.

# 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Firearm Concealed Carry Act is amended by 5 changing Section 80 as follows:

6 (430 ILCS 66/80)

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Sec. 80. Certified firearms instructors.

8 (a) Within 60 days of the effective date of this Act, the 9 Department shall begin approval of certified firearms 10 instructors and enter certified firearms instructors into an 11 online registry on the Department's website.

(b) A person who is not a certified firearms instructor shall not teach applicant training courses or advertise or otherwise represent courses they teach as qualifying their students to meet the requirements to receive a license under this Act. Each violation of this subsection is a business offense with a fine of at least \$1,000 per violation.

18 (c) A person seeking to become a certified firearms 19 instructor shall:

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(1) be at least 21 years of age;

(2) be a legal resident of the United States; and
(3) meet the requirements of Section 25 of this Act,
except for the Illinois residency requirement in item (xiv)

1 of paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Section 4 of the 2 Firearm Owners Identification Card Act; and any additional 3 uniformly applied requirements established by the 4 Department.

5 (d) A person seeking to become a certified firearms 6 instructor, in addition to the requirements of subsection (c) 7 of this Section, shall:

8 (1) possess a high school diploma or high school
9 equivalency certificate; and

10 (2) have at least one of the following valid firearms11 instructor certifications:

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(A) certification from a law enforcement agency;

(B) certification from a firearm instructor course
offered by a State or federal governmental agency;

15 (C) certification from a firearm instructor
16 qualification course offered by the Illinois Law
17 Enforcement Training Standards Board; or

(D) certification from an entity approved by the
Department that offers firearm instructor education
and training in the use and safety of firearms.

21 (d-5) The Department shall allow by rule a waiver process 22 for a person seeking to become a certified firearms instructor 23 if the person meets all the other requirements of subsections 24 (c) and (d) of this Section except paragraph (1) of subsection 25 (d) of this Section.

26 (e) A person may have his or her firearms instructor

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certification denied or revoked if he or she does not meet the requirements to obtain a license under this Act, provides false or misleading information to the Department, or has had a prior instructor certification revoked or denied by the Department. (Source: P.A. 98-63, eff. 7-9-13; 98-600, eff. 12-6-13; 98-718, eff. 1-1-15.)