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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.182 new
430 ILCS 66/65
720 ILCS 5/24-2

Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education shall establish a grant program to provide for armed security in the schools of this State and grants to schools for the training of teachers in armed security, including grants for teachers to obtain a concealed carry license under the Firearm Concealed Carry Act. Amends the Firearm Concealed Carry Act and the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that the unlawful use of weapons offense does not apply to carrying a concealed pistol, revolver, or handgun by a full-time teacher or full-time professor or administrator of a public or private school, community college, college, or university who has a valid concealed carry license issued under the Firearm Concealed Carry Act and who has been designated by his or her school district board or the board of trustees of his or her community college, college, or university as a school or college protection officer, into: (1) any building, real property, and parking area under the control of the public or private elementary or secondary school in which the person is employed; or (2) any building, classroom, laboratory, medical clinic, hospital, artistic venue, athletic venue, entertainment venue, officially recognized university-related organization property, whether owned or leased, and any real property, including parking areas, sidewalks, and common areas under the control of a public or private community college, college, or university in which the person is employed. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES
ACT MAY REQUIRE
REIMBURSEMENT

1 AN ACT concerning school security.

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

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section
5 2-3.182 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.182 new)

7 Sec. 2-3.182. Grants for arming teachers and school
8 security. The State Board of Education shall establish a grant
9 program to provide for armed security in the schools of this
10 State and grants to schools for the training of teachers in
11 armed security, including grants for teachers to obtain a
12 concealed carry license under the Firearm Concealed Carry Act.

13 Section 10. The Firearm Concealed Carry Act is amended by
14 changing Section 65 as follows:

15 (430 ILCS 66/65)

16 Sec. 65. Prohibited areas.

17 (a) A licensee under this Act shall not knowingly carry a
18 firearm on or into:

19 (1) Any building, real property, and parking area under
20 the control of a public or private elementary or secondary
21 school, except as otherwise provided in subsection (a-5) of

1 Section 24-2 of the Criminal Code of 2012.

2 (2) Any building, real property, and parking area under
3 the control of a pre-school or child care facility,
4 including any room or portion of a building under the
5 control of a pre-school or child care facility. Nothing in
6 this paragraph shall prevent the operator of a child care
7 facility in a family home from owning or possessing a
8 firearm in the home or license under this Act, if no child
9 under child care at the home is present in the home or the
10 firearm in the home is stored in a locked container when a
11 child under child care at the home is present in the home.

12 (3) Any building, parking area, or portion of a
13 building under the control of an officer of the executive
14 or legislative branch of government, provided that nothing
15 in this paragraph shall prohibit a licensee from carrying a
16 concealed firearm onto the real property, bikeway, or trail
17 in a park regulated by the Department of Natural Resources
18 or any other designated public hunting area or building
19 where firearm possession is permitted as established by the
20 Department of Natural Resources under Section 1.8 of the
21 Wildlife Code.

22 (4) Any building designated for matters before a
23 circuit court, appellate court, or the Supreme Court, or
24 any building or portion of a building under the control of
25 the Supreme Court.

26 (5) Any building or portion of a building under the

1 control of a unit of local government.

2 (6) Any building, real property, and parking area under
3 the control of an adult or juvenile detention or
4 correctional institution, prison, or jail.

5 (7) Any building, real property, and parking area under
6 the control of a public or private hospital or hospital
7 affiliate, mental health facility, or nursing home.

8 (8) Any bus, train, or form of transportation paid for
9 in whole or in part with public funds, and any building,
10 real property, and parking area under the control of a
11 public transportation facility paid for in whole or in part
12 with public funds.

13 (9) Any building, real property, and parking area under
14 the control of an establishment that serves alcohol on its
15 premises, if more than 50% of the establishment's gross
16 receipts within the prior 3 months is from the sale of
17 alcohol. The owner of an establishment who knowingly fails
18 to prohibit concealed firearms on its premises as provided
19 in this paragraph or who knowingly makes a false statement
20 or record to avoid the prohibition on concealed firearms
21 under this paragraph is subject to the penalty under
22 subsection (c-5) of Section 10-1 of the Liquor Control Act
23 of 1934.

24 (10) Any public gathering or special event conducted on
25 property open to the public that requires the issuance of a
26 permit from the unit of local government, provided this

1 prohibition shall not apply to a licensee who must walk
2 through a public gathering in order to access his or her
3 residence, place of business, or vehicle.

4 (11) Any building or real property that has been issued
5 a Special Event Retailer's license as defined in Section
6 1-3.17.1 of the Liquor Control Act during the time
7 designated for the sale of alcohol by the Special Event
8 Retailer's license, or a Special use permit license as
9 defined in subsection (q) of Section 5-1 of the Liquor
10 Control Act during the time designated for the sale of
11 alcohol by the Special use permit license.

12 (12) Any public playground.

13 (13) Any public park, athletic area, or athletic
14 facility under the control of a municipality or park
15 district, provided nothing in this Section shall prohibit a
16 licensee from carrying a concealed firearm while on a trail
17 or bikeway if only a portion of the trail or bikeway
18 includes a public park.

19 (14) Any real property under the control of the Cook
20 County Forest Preserve District.

21 (15) Any building, classroom, laboratory, medical
22 clinic, hospital, artistic venue, athletic venue,
23 entertainment venue, officially recognized
24 university-related organization property, whether owned or
25 leased, and any real property, including parking areas,
26 sidewalks, and common areas under the control of a public

1 or private community college, college, or university,
2 except as otherwise provided in subsection (a-5) of Section
3 24-2 of the Criminal Code of 2012.

4 (16) Any building, real property, or parking area under
5 the control of a gaming facility licensed under the
6 Illinois Gambling Act or the Illinois Horse Racing Act of
7 1975, including an inter-track wagering location licensee.

8 (17) Any stadium, arena, or the real property or
9 parking area under the control of a stadium, arena, or any
10 collegiate or professional sporting event.

11 (18) Any building, real property, or parking area under
12 the control of a public library.

13 (19) Any building, real property, or parking area under
14 the control of an airport.

15 (20) Any building, real property, or parking area under
16 the control of an amusement park.

17 (21) Any building, real property, or parking area under
18 the control of a zoo or museum.

19 (22) Any street, driveway, parking area, property,
20 building, or facility, owned, leased, controlled, or used
21 by a nuclear energy, storage, weapons, or development site
22 or facility regulated by the federal Nuclear Regulatory
23 Commission. The licensee shall not under any circumstance
24 store a firearm or ammunition in his or her vehicle or in a
25 compartment or container within a vehicle located anywhere
26 in or on the street, driveway, parking area, property,

1 building, or facility described in this paragraph.

2 (23) Any area where firearms are prohibited under
3 federal law.

4 (a-5) Nothing in this Act shall prohibit a public or
5 private community college, college, or university from:

6 (1) prohibiting persons from carrying a firearm within
7 a vehicle owned, leased, or controlled by the college or
8 university;

9 (2) developing resolutions, regulations, or policies
10 regarding student, employee, or visitor misconduct and
11 discipline, including suspension and expulsion;

12 (3) developing resolutions, regulations, or policies
13 regarding the storage or maintenance of firearms, which
14 must include designated areas where persons can park
15 vehicles that carry firearms; and

16 (4) permitting the carrying or use of firearms for the
17 purpose of instruction and curriculum of officially
18 recognized programs, including but not limited to military
19 science and law enforcement training programs, or in any
20 designated area used for hunting purposes or target
21 shooting.

22 (a-10) The owner of private real property of any type may
23 prohibit the carrying of concealed firearms on the property
24 under his or her control. The owner must post a sign in
25 accordance with subsection (d) of this Section indicating that
26 firearms are prohibited on the property, unless the property is

1 a private residence.

2 (b) Notwithstanding subsections (a), (a-5), and (a-10) of
3 this Section except under paragraph (22) or (23) of subsection
4 (a), any licensee prohibited from carrying a concealed firearm
5 into the parking area of a prohibited location specified in
6 subsection (a), (a-5), or (a-10) of this Section shall be
7 permitted to carry a concealed firearm on or about his or her
8 person within a vehicle into the parking area and may store a
9 firearm or ammunition concealed in a case within a locked
10 vehicle or locked container out of plain view within the
11 vehicle in the parking area. A licensee may carry a concealed
12 firearm in the immediate area surrounding his or her vehicle
13 within a prohibited parking lot area only for the limited
14 purpose of storing or retrieving a firearm within the vehicle's
15 trunk. For purposes of this subsection, "case" includes a glove
16 compartment or console that completely encloses the concealed
17 firearm or ammunition, the trunk of the vehicle, or a firearm
18 carrying box, shipping box, or other container.

19 (c) A licensee shall not be in violation of this Section
20 while he or she is traveling along a public right of way that
21 touches or crosses any of the premises under subsection (a),
22 (a-5), or (a-10) of this Section if the concealed firearm is
23 carried on his or her person in accordance with the provisions
24 of this Act or is being transported in a vehicle by the
25 licensee in accordance with all other applicable provisions of
26 law.

1 (d) Signs stating that the carrying of firearms is
2 prohibited shall be clearly and conspicuously posted at the
3 entrance of a building, premises, or real property specified in
4 this Section as a prohibited area, unless the building or
5 premises is a private residence. Signs shall be of a uniform
6 design as established by the Department and shall be 4 inches
7 by 6 inches in size. The Department shall adopt rules for
8 standardized signs to be used under this subsection.

9 (Source: P.A. 101-31, eff. 6-28-19.)

10 Section 15. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by
11 changing Section 24-2 as follows:

12 (720 ILCS 5/24-2)

13 Sec. 24-2. Exemptions.

14 (a) Subsections 24-1(a)(3), 24-1(a)(4), 24-1(a)(10), and
15 24-1(a)(13) and Section 24-1.6 do not apply to or affect any of
16 the following:

17 (1) Peace officers, and any person summoned by a peace
18 officer to assist in making arrests or preserving the
19 peace, while actually engaged in assisting such officer.

20 (2) Wardens, superintendents and keepers of prisons,
21 penitentiaries, jails and other institutions for the
22 detention of persons accused or convicted of an offense,
23 while in the performance of their official duty, or while
24 commuting between their homes and places of employment.

1 (3) Members of the Armed Services or Reserve Forces of
2 the United States or the Illinois National Guard or the
3 Reserve Officers Training Corps, while in the performance
4 of their official duty.

5 (4) Special agents employed by a railroad or a public
6 utility to perform police functions, and guards of armored
7 car companies, while actually engaged in the performance of
8 the duties of their employment or commuting between their
9 homes and places of employment; and watchmen while actually
10 engaged in the performance of the duties of their
11 employment.

12 (5) Persons licensed as private security contractors,
13 private detectives, or private alarm contractors, or
14 employed by a private security contractor, private
15 detective, or private alarm contractor agency licensed by
16 the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation,
17 if their duties include the carrying of a weapon under the
18 provisions of the Private Detective, Private Alarm,
19 Private Security, Fingerprint Vendor, and Locksmith Act of
20 2004, while actually engaged in the performance of the
21 duties of their employment or commuting between their homes
22 and places of employment. A person shall be considered
23 eligible for this exemption if he or she has completed the
24 required 20 hours of training for a private security
25 contractor, private detective, or private alarm
26 contractor, or employee of a licensed private security

1 contractor, private detective, or private alarm contractor
2 agency and 20 hours of required firearm training, and has
3 been issued a firearm control card by the Department of
4 Financial and Professional Regulation. Conditions for the
5 renewal of firearm control cards issued under the
6 provisions of this Section shall be the same as for those
7 cards issued under the provisions of the Private Detective,
8 Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint Vendor, and
9 Locksmith Act of 2004. The firearm control card shall be
10 carried by the private security contractor, private
11 detective, or private alarm contractor, or employee of the
12 licensed private security contractor, private detective,
13 or private alarm contractor agency at all times when he or
14 she is in possession of a concealable weapon permitted by
15 his or her firearm control card.

16 (6) Any person regularly employed in a commercial or
17 industrial operation as a security guard for the protection
18 of persons employed and private property related to such
19 commercial or industrial operation, while actually engaged
20 in the performance of his or her duty or traveling between
21 sites or properties belonging to the employer, and who, as
22 a security guard, is a member of a security force
23 registered with the Department of Financial and
24 Professional Regulation; provided that such security guard
25 has successfully completed a course of study, approved by
26 and supervised by the Department of Financial and

1 Professional Regulation, consisting of not less than 40
2 hours of training that includes the theory of law
3 enforcement, liability for acts, and the handling of
4 weapons. A person shall be considered eligible for this
5 exemption if he or she has completed the required 20 hours
6 of training for a security officer and 20 hours of required
7 firearm training, and has been issued a firearm control
8 card by the Department of Financial and Professional
9 Regulation. Conditions for the renewal of firearm control
10 cards issued under the provisions of this Section shall be
11 the same as for those cards issued under the provisions of
12 the Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security,
13 Fingerprint Vendor, and Locksmith Act of 2004. The firearm
14 control card shall be carried by the security guard at all
15 times when he or she is in possession of a concealable
16 weapon permitted by his or her firearm control card.

17 (7) Agents and investigators of the Illinois
18 Legislative Investigating Commission authorized by the
19 Commission to carry the weapons specified in subsections
20 24-1(a)(3) and 24-1(a)(4), while on duty in the course of
21 any investigation for the Commission.

22 (8) Persons employed by a financial institution as a
23 security guard for the protection of other employees and
24 property related to such financial institution, while
25 actually engaged in the performance of their duties,
26 commuting between their homes and places of employment, or

1 traveling between sites or properties owned or operated by
2 such financial institution, and who, as a security guard,
3 is a member of a security force registered with the
4 Department; provided that any person so employed has
5 successfully completed a course of study, approved by and
6 supervised by the Department of Financial and Professional
7 Regulation, consisting of not less than 40 hours of
8 training which includes theory of law enforcement,
9 liability for acts, and the handling of weapons. A person
10 shall be considered to be eligible for this exemption if he
11 or she has completed the required 20 hours of training for
12 a security officer and 20 hours of required firearm
13 training, and has been issued a firearm control card by the
14 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.
15 Conditions for renewal of firearm control cards issued
16 under the provisions of this Section shall be the same as
17 for those issued under the provisions of the Private
18 Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security, Fingerprint
19 Vendor, and Locksmith Act of 2004. The firearm control card
20 shall be carried by the security guard at all times when he
21 or she is in possession of a concealable weapon permitted
22 by his or her firearm control card. For purposes of this
23 subsection, "financial institution" means a bank, savings
24 and loan association, credit union or company providing
25 armored car services.

26 (9) Any person employed by an armored car company to

1 drive an armored car, while actually engaged in the
2 performance of his duties.

3 (10) Persons who have been classified as peace officers
4 pursuant to the Peace Officer Fire Investigation Act.

5 (11) Investigators of the Office of the State's
6 Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor authorized by the board of
7 governors of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate
8 Prosecutor to carry weapons pursuant to Section 7.06 of the
9 State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor's Act.

10 (12) Special investigators appointed by a State's
11 Attorney under Section 3-9005 of the Counties Code.

12 (12.5) Probation officers while in the performance of
13 their duties, or while commuting between their homes,
14 places of employment or specific locations that are part of
15 their assigned duties, with the consent of the chief judge
16 of the circuit for which they are employed, if they have
17 received weapons training according to requirements of the
18 Peace Officer and Probation Officer Firearm Training Act.

19 (13) Court Security Officers while in the performance
20 of their official duties, or while commuting between their
21 homes and places of employment, with the consent of the
22 Sheriff.

23 (13.5) A person employed as an armed security guard at
24 a nuclear energy, storage, weapons or development site or
25 facility regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission
26 who has completed the background screening and training

1 mandated by the rules and regulations of the Nuclear
2 Regulatory Commission.

3 (14) Manufacture, transportation, or sale of weapons
4 to persons authorized under subdivisions (1) through
5 (13.5) of this subsection to possess those weapons.

6 (a-5) Subsections 24-1(a)(4) and 24-1(a)(10) do not apply
7 to or affect any person carrying a concealed pistol, revolver,
8 or handgun and the person has been issued a currently valid
9 license under the Firearm Concealed Carry Act at the time of
10 the commission of the offense, including carrying a concealed
11 pistol, revolver, or handgun by a full-time teacher or
12 full-time professor or administrator of a public or private
13 school, community college, college, or university who has been
14 designated by his or her school district board or the board of
15 trustees of his or her community college, college, or
16 university as a school or college protection officer, into:

17 (1) any building, real property, and parking area under
18 the control of the public or private elementary or
19 secondary school in which the person is employed; or

20 (2) any building, classroom, laboratory, medical
21 clinic, hospital, artistic venue, athletic venue,
22 entertainment venue, officially recognized
23 university-related organization property, whether owned or
24 leased, and any real property, including parking areas,
25 sidewalks, and common areas under the control of a public
26 or private community college, college, or university in

1 which the person is employed.

2 (a-6) Subsections 24-1(a)(4) and 24-1(a)(10) do not apply
3 to or affect a qualified current or retired law enforcement
4 officer qualified under the laws of this State or under the
5 federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act.

6 (b) Subsections 24-1(a)(4) and 24-1(a)(10) and Section
7 24-1.6 do not apply to or affect any of the following:

8 (1) Members of any club or organization organized for
9 the purpose of practicing shooting at targets upon
10 established target ranges, whether public or private, and
11 patrons of such ranges, while such members or patrons are
12 using their firearms on those target ranges.

13 (2) Duly authorized military or civil organizations
14 while parading, with the special permission of the
15 Governor.

16 (3) Hunters, trappers or fishermen with a license or
17 permit while engaged in hunting, trapping or fishing.

18 (4) Transportation of weapons that are broken down in a
19 non-functioning state or are not immediately accessible.

20 (5) Carrying or possessing any pistol, revolver, stun
21 gun or taser or other firearm on the land or in the legal
22 dwelling of another person as an invitee with that person's
23 permission.

24 (c) Subsection 24-1(a)(7) does not apply to or affect any
25 of the following:

26 (1) Peace officers while in performance of their

1 official duties.

2 (2) Wardens, superintendents and keepers of prisons,
3 penitentiaries, jails and other institutions for the
4 detention of persons accused or convicted of an offense.

5 (3) Members of the Armed Services or Reserve Forces of
6 the United States or the Illinois National Guard, while in
7 the performance of their official duty.

8 (4) Manufacture, transportation, or sale of machine
9 guns to persons authorized under subdivisions (1) through
10 (3) of this subsection to possess machine guns, if the
11 machine guns are broken down in a non-functioning state or
12 are not immediately accessible.

13 (5) Persons licensed under federal law to manufacture
14 any weapon from which 8 or more shots or bullets can be
15 discharged by a single function of the firing device, or
16 ammunition for such weapons, and actually engaged in the
17 business of manufacturing such weapons or ammunition, but
18 only with respect to activities which are within the lawful
19 scope of such business, such as the manufacture,
20 transportation, or testing of such weapons or ammunition.
21 This exemption does not authorize the general private
22 possession of any weapon from which 8 or more shots or
23 bullets can be discharged by a single function of the
24 firing device, but only such possession and activities as
25 are within the lawful scope of a licensed manufacturing
26 business described in this paragraph.

1 During transportation, such weapons shall be broken
2 down in a non-functioning state or not immediately
3 accessible.

4 (6) The manufacture, transport, testing, delivery,
5 transfer or sale, and all lawful commercial or experimental
6 activities necessary thereto, of rifles, shotguns, and
7 weapons made from rifles or shotguns, or ammunition for
8 such rifles, shotguns or weapons, where engaged in by a
9 person operating as a contractor or subcontractor pursuant
10 to a contract or subcontract for the development and supply
11 of such rifles, shotguns, weapons or ammunition to the
12 United States government or any branch of the Armed Forces
13 of the United States, when such activities are necessary
14 and incident to fulfilling the terms of such contract.

15 The exemption granted under this subdivision (c)(6)
16 shall also apply to any authorized agent of any such
17 contractor or subcontractor who is operating within the
18 scope of his employment, where such activities involving
19 such weapon, weapons or ammunition are necessary and
20 incident to fulfilling the terms of such contract.

21 (7) A person possessing a rifle with a barrel or
22 barrels less than 16 inches in length if: (A) the person
23 has been issued a Curios and Relics license from the U.S.
24 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; or (B)
25 the person is an active member of a bona fide, nationally
26 recognized military re-enacting group and the modification

1 is required and necessary to accurately portray the weapon
2 for historical re-enactment purposes; the re-enactor is in
3 possession of a valid and current re-enacting group
4 membership credential; and the overall length of the weapon
5 as modified is not less than 26 inches.

6 (d) Subsection 24-1(a)(1) does not apply to the purchase,
7 possession or carrying of a black-jack or slung-shot by a peace
8 officer.

9 (e) Subsection 24-1(a)(8) does not apply to any owner,
10 manager or authorized employee of any place specified in that
11 subsection nor to any law enforcement officer.

12 (f) Subsection 24-1(a)(4) and subsection 24-1(a)(10) and
13 Section 24-1.6 do not apply to members of any club or
14 organization organized for the purpose of practicing shooting
15 at targets upon established target ranges, whether public or
16 private, while using their firearms on those target ranges.

17 (g) Subsections 24-1(a)(11) and 24-3.1(a)(6) do not apply
18 to:

19 (1) Members of the Armed Services or Reserve Forces of
20 the United States or the Illinois National Guard, while in
21 the performance of their official duty.

22 (2) Bonafide collectors of antique or surplus military
23 ordnance.

24 (3) Laboratories having a department of forensic
25 ballistics, or specializing in the development of
26 ammunition or explosive ordnance.

1 (4) Commerce, preparation, assembly or possession of
2 explosive bullets by manufacturers of ammunition licensed
3 by the federal government, in connection with the supply of
4 those organizations and persons exempted by subdivision
5 (g)(1) of this Section, or like organizations and persons
6 outside this State, or the transportation of explosive
7 bullets to any organization or person exempted in this
8 Section by a common carrier or by a vehicle owned or leased
9 by an exempted manufacturer.

10 (g-5) Subsection 24-1(a)(6) does not apply to or affect
11 persons licensed under federal law to manufacture any device or
12 attachment of any kind designed, used, or intended for use in
13 silencing the report of any firearm, firearms, or ammunition
14 for those firearms equipped with those devices, and actually
15 engaged in the business of manufacturing those devices,
16 firearms, or ammunition, but only with respect to activities
17 that are within the lawful scope of that business, such as the
18 manufacture, transportation, or testing of those devices,
19 firearms, or ammunition. This exemption does not authorize the
20 general private possession of any device or attachment of any
21 kind designed, used, or intended for use in silencing the
22 report of any firearm, but only such possession and activities
23 as are within the lawful scope of a licensed manufacturing
24 business described in this subsection (g-5). During
25 transportation, these devices shall be detached from any weapon
26 or not immediately accessible.

1 (g-6) Subsections 24-1(a)(4) and 24-1(a)(10) and Section
2 24-1.6 do not apply to or affect any parole agent or parole
3 supervisor who meets the qualifications and conditions
4 prescribed in Section 3-14-1.5 of the Unified Code of
5 Corrections.

6 (g-7) Subsection 24-1(a)(6) does not apply to a peace
7 officer while serving as a member of a tactical response team
8 or special operations team. A peace officer may not personally
9 own or apply for ownership of a device or attachment of any
10 kind designed, used, or intended for use in silencing the
11 report of any firearm. These devices shall be owned and
12 maintained by lawfully recognized units of government whose
13 duties include the investigation of criminal acts.

14 (g-10) Subsections 24-1(a)(4), 24-1(a)(8), and
15 24-1(a)(10), and Sections 24-1.6 and 24-3.1 do not apply to an
16 athlete's possession, transport on official Olympic and
17 Paralympic transit systems established for athletes, or use of
18 competition firearms sanctioned by the International Olympic
19 Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, the
20 International Shooting Sport Federation, or USA Shooting in
21 connection with such athlete's training for and participation
22 in shooting competitions at the 2016 Olympic and Paralympic
23 Games and sanctioned test events leading up to the 2016 Olympic
24 and Paralympic Games.

25 (h) An information or indictment based upon a violation of
26 any subsection of this Article need not negative any exemptions

1 contained in this Article. The defendant shall have the burden
2 of proving such an exemption.

3 (i) Nothing in this Article shall prohibit, apply to, or
4 affect the transportation, carrying, or possession, of any
5 pistol or revolver, stun gun, taser, or other firearm consigned
6 to a common carrier operating under license of the State of
7 Illinois or the federal government, where such transportation,
8 carrying, or possession is incident to the lawful
9 transportation in which such common carrier is engaged; and
10 nothing in this Article shall prohibit, apply to, or affect the
11 transportation, carrying, or possession of any pistol,
12 revolver, stun gun, taser, or other firearm, not the subject of
13 and regulated by subsection 24-1(a)(7) or subsection 24-2(c) of
14 this Article, which is unloaded and enclosed in a case, firearm
15 carrying box, shipping box, or other container, by the
16 possessor of a valid Firearm Owners Identification Card.

17 (Source: P.A. 100-201, eff. 8-18-17; 101-80, eff. 7-12-19.)

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
19 becoming law.