



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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HB2931

Introduced 2/16/2023, by Rep. Dennis Tipsword, Jr.

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 66/65  
430 ILCS 66/76 new

Amends the Firearm Concealed Carry Act. Provides that a concealed carry licensee who is an employee of a public or private elementary or secondary school may carry a concealed firearm into the school building, real property, and parking area under the control of the school where he or she is employed if, in addition to the training requirement to obtain a concealed carry license, he or she receives additional training from a training program established by the Illinois State Police. Provides that within 120 days after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the Illinois State Police shall establish a training program for licensees who are employees of a public or private elementary or secondary school to permit the employees to carry firearms into the school buildings where they are employed and their adjacent parking lots and real property. Provides that the Illinois State Police shall establish the training curriculum and the amount of training, which shall not exceed 48 hours, of which a maximum of 28 hours shall be firearm training. Provides that the training shall include the safe handling of firearms around children. Provides that the training must be completed annually.

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1 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 65 and by adding Section 76 as follows:

6 (430 ILCS 66/65)

7 Sec. 65. Prohibited areas.

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

10 (1) Any building, real property, and parking area  
11 under the control of a public or private elementary or  
12 secondary school, except that a licensee who is an  
13 employee of a public or private elementary or secondary  
14 school may carry a concealed firearm into a school  
15 building, real property, and parking area under the  
16 control of the school where he or she is employed if, in  
17 addition to the training requirement prescribed in Section  
18 75, the licensee has received the additional training  
19 requirements prescribed in Section 76.

20 (2) Any building, real property, and parking area  
21 under the control of a pre-school or child care facility,  
22 including any room or portion of a building under the  
23 control of a pre-school or child care facility. Nothing in

1           this paragraph shall prevent the operator of a child care  
2           facility in a family home from owning or possessing a  
3           firearm in the home or license under this Act, if no child  
4           under child care at the home is present in the home or the  
5           firearm in the home is stored in a locked container when a  
6           child under child care at the home is present in the home.

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

17          (4) Any building designated for matters before a  
18          circuit court, appellate court, or the Supreme Court, or  
19          any building or portion of a building under the control of  
20          the Supreme Court.

21          (5) Any building or portion of a building under the  
22          control of a unit of local government.

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

26          (7) Any building, real property, and parking area

1 under the control of a public or private hospital or  
2 hospital affiliate, mental health facility, or nursing  
3 home.

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

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

20 (10) Any public gathering or special event conducted  
21 on property open to the public that requires the issuance  
22 of a permit from the unit of local government, provided  
23 this prohibition shall not apply to a licensee who must  
24 walk through a public gathering in order to access his or  
25 her residence, place of business, or vehicle.

26 (11) Any building or real property that has been

1 issued a Special Event Retailer's license as defined in  
2 Section 1-3.17.1 of the Liquor Control Act during the time  
3 designated for the sale of alcohol by the Special Event  
4 Retailer's license, or a Special use permit license as  
5 defined in subsection (q) of Section 5-1 of the Liquor  
6 Control Act during the time designated for the sale of  
7 alcohol by the Special use permit license.

8 (12) Any public playground.

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

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

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

24 (16) Any building, real property, or parking area  
25 under the control of a gaming facility licensed under the  
26 Illinois Gambling Act or the Illinois Horse Racing Act of

1 1975, including an inter-track wagering location licensee.

2 (17) Any stadium, arena, or the real property or  
3 parking area under the control of a stadium, arena, or any  
4 collegiate or professional sporting event.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

26 (1) prohibiting persons from carrying a firearm within

1 a vehicle owned, leased, or controlled by the college or  
2 university;

3 (2) developing resolutions, regulations, or policies  
4 regarding student, employee, or visitor misconduct and  
5 discipline, including suspension and expulsion;

6 (3) developing resolutions, regulations, or policies  
7 regarding the storage or maintenance of firearms, which  
8 must include designated areas where persons can park  
9 vehicles that carry firearms; and

10 (4) permitting the carrying or use of firearms for the  
11 purpose of instruction and curriculum of officially  
12 recognized programs, including but not limited to military  
13 science and law enforcement training programs, or in any  
14 designated area used for hunting purposes or target  
15 shooting.

16 (a-10) The owner of private real property of any type may  
17 prohibit the carrying of concealed firearms on the property  
18 under his or her control. The owner must post a sign in  
19 accordance with subsection (d) of this Section indicating that  
20 firearms are prohibited on the property, unless the property  
21 is a private residence.

22 (b) Notwithstanding subsections (a), (a-5), and (a-10) of  
23 this Section except under paragraph (22) or (23) of subsection  
24 (a), any licensee prohibited from carrying a concealed firearm  
25 into the parking area of a prohibited location specified in  
26 subsection (a), (a-5), or (a-10) of this Section shall be

1 permitted to carry a concealed firearm on or about his or her  
2 person within a vehicle into the parking area and may store a  
3 firearm or ammunition concealed in a case within a locked  
4 vehicle or locked container out of plain view within the  
5 vehicle in the parking area. A licensee may carry a concealed  
6 firearm in the immediate area surrounding his or her vehicle  
7 within a prohibited parking lot area only for the limited  
8 purpose of storing or retrieving a firearm within the  
9 vehicle's trunk. For purposes of this subsection, "case"  
10 includes a glove compartment or console that completely  
11 encloses the concealed firearm or ammunition, the trunk of the  
12 vehicle, or a firearm carrying box, shipping box, or other  
13 container.

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

22 (d) Signs stating that the carrying of firearms is  
23 prohibited shall be clearly and conspicuously posted at the  
24 entrance of a building, premises, or real property specified  
25 in this Section as a prohibited area, unless the building or  
26 premises is a private residence. Signs shall be of a uniform



1 design as established by the Illinois State Police and shall  
2 be 4 inches by 6 inches in size. The Illinois State Police  
3 shall adopt rules for standardized signs to be used under this  
4 subsection.

5 (Source: P.A. 101-31, eff. 6-28-19; 102-538, eff. 8-20-21.)

6 (430 ILCS 66/76 new)

7 Sec. 76. Employees of a public or private elementary or  
8 secondary school; firearm training. Within 120 days after the  
9 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 103rd General  
10 Assembly, the Illinois State Police shall establish a training  
11 program for licensees who are employees of a public or private  
12 elementary or secondary school to permit the employees to  
13 carry firearms into the school buildings where they are  
14 employed and their adjacent parking lots and real property.  
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