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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING THE POSSESSION OF A CONCEALED
9 HANDGUN IN A UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, OR COMMUNITY
10 COLLEGE BUILDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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13 CONCERNING THE POSSESSION OF A CONCEALED
14 HANDGUN IN A UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, OR
15 COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUILDING.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-73-322 is amended to read as follows:

22 5-73-322. Concealed handguns in a university, college, or community
23 college building.

24 (a) As used in this section:

25 (1)(A) "Public university, public college, or community college"
26 means an institution that:

27 (i) Regularly receives budgetary support from the
28 state government;

29 (ii) Is part of the University of Arkansas or
30 Arkansas State University systems; or

31 (iii) Is required to report to the Arkansas Higher
32 Education Coordinating Board.

33 (B) "Public university, public college, or community
34 college" does not include a private university or private college solely
35 because:

36 (i) Students attending the private university or



1 private college receive state-supported scholarships; or

2 (ii) The private university or private college
3 voluntarily reports to the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board; and

4 (2) "Staff member" means a person who is not enrolled as a full-
5 time student at the university, college, or community college and is either
6 employed by the university, college, or community college full time or is on
7 a nine-month or twelve-month appointment at the university, college, or
8 community college as a faculty member.

9 (b) A licensee may possess a concealed handgun in the buildings and on
10 the grounds, whether owned or leased by the public university, public
11 college, or public community college, of the public university, public
12 college, or public community college where he or she is employed unless
13 otherwise prohibited by § 5-73-306 if+ he or she is a staff member.

14 ~~(1) He or she is a staff member; and~~

15 ~~(2)(A) The governing board of the public university, public~~
16 ~~college, or public community college does not adopt a policy expressly~~
17 ~~disallowing the carrying of a concealed handgun by staff members in the~~
18 ~~buildings or on the grounds of the public university, public college, or~~
19 ~~public community college and posts notices as described in § 5-73-306(19).~~

20 ~~(B) A governing board of the public university, public~~
21 ~~college, or public community college may adopt differing policies for the~~
22 ~~carrying of a concealed handgun by staff members for different campuses,~~
23 ~~areas of a campus, or individual buildings of the public university, public~~
24 ~~college, or public community college for which the governing board is~~
25 ~~responsible.~~

26 ~~(C) A policy disallowing the carrying of a concealed~~
27 ~~handgun by staff members into the public university, public college, or~~
28 ~~public community college expires one (1) year after the date of adoption and~~
29 ~~must be readopted each year by the governing board of the public university,~~
30 ~~public college, or public community college to remain in effect.~~

31 (c) A licensee may possess a concealed handgun in the buildings and on
32 the grounds of the private university or private college where he or she is
33 employed unless otherwise prohibited by § 5-73-306 if:

34 (1) He or she is a staff member; and

35 (2) The private university or private college does not adopt a
36 policy expressly disallowing the carrying of a concealed handgun in the

1 buildings and on the grounds of the private university or private college and
2 ~~posts~~ does not post notices as described in § 5-73-306(19).

3 (d) The storage of a handgun in a university or college-operated
4 student dormitory or residence hall is prohibited under § 5-73-119(c).

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