

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 209

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO

WEAPONS/HANDGUNS: Provides relative to illegal possession of a handgun by a juvenile

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95.8(A), relative to the illegal possession of handguns; to  
3 provide relative to the illegal possession of a handgun by a juvenile; to provide  
4 relative to the elements of the offense regarding the form of possession; and to  
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 14:95.8(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §95.8. Illegal possession of a handgun by a juvenile

9 A. It is unlawful for any person who has not attained the age of eighteen  
10 years knowingly to possess any handgun ~~on his person~~. Any person possessing any  
11 handgun in violation of this Section commits the offense of illegal possession of a  
12 handgun by a juvenile.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Removes the requirement that the handgun be possessed on the offender's person in order for the crime of illegal possession of a handgun by a juvenile to apply.

Present law prohibits any person who has not attained the age of 18 years from knowingly possessing any handgun on his person.

Proposed law removes the requirement that the handgun be possessed on the offender's person in order for the offense to apply.

(Amends R.S. 14:95.8(A))