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HOUSE BILL DRH40042-ML-3

Short Title: Concealed Carry/Emergency Medical Personnel. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Warren, McNeill, and C. Smith (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM THE CONCEALED CARRY PROHIBITION CERTAIN  
3 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL WHILE ON DUTY PROVIDING  
4 TACTICAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT IN AN EMERGENCY  
5 SITUATION.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-269 reads as rewritten:

8 **"§ 14-269. Carrying concealed weapons.**

9 (a) It shall be unlawful for any person willfully and intentionally to carry concealed about  
10 his or her person any bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slung shot, loaded cane, metallic knuckles, razor,  
11 shuriken, stun gun, or other deadly weapon of like kind, except when the person is on the person's  
12 own premises.

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14 (b) This prohibition shall not apply to the following persons:

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16 (10) Emergency medical services personnel, as defined in G.S. 131E-155, while  
17 on duty, who are deployed as part of their official duties providing tactical  
18 medical assistance to law enforcement in an emergency situation, including a  
19 Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) operation. In order to qualify under  
20 this subdivision, emergency services personnel shall have completed an  
21 approved tactical medical assistance course for supporting tactical law  
22 enforcement operations. An approved course shall (i) include an element on  
23 firearms safety and training, (ii) include instruction in the laws of this State  
24 governing the use of deadly force, and (iii) require training and qualification  
25 on all weapons systems, both lethal and less than lethal, deemed necessary by  
26 any law enforcement agency the emergency services personnel supports. For  
27 purposes of this subdivision, an approved course shall be any course which  
28 satisfies the requirements of this subdivision and is certified or sponsored by  
29 one or more of the following organizations:

30 a. The North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training  
31 Standards Commission.

32 b. The National Rifle Association.

33 c. A law enforcement agency, college, private or public institution or  
34 organization, or firearms training school, taught by instructors  
35 certified by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and  
36 Training Standards Commission or the National Rifle Association.



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1                   Every instructor of an approved course shall file a copy of the course  
2                   description, outline, and proof of certification annually, or upon modification  
3                   of the course if more frequently, with the North Carolina Criminal Justice  
4                   Education and Training Standards Commission.

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6                   **SECTION 2.** State and local law enforcement agencies shall provide paramedics  
7 rendering tactical medical assistance during a Special Weapons and Tactics operation with the  
8 same protective equipment provided to other members of a Special Weapons and Tactics  
9 operation.

10                   **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to offenses  
11 committed on or after that date.