

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to safety of religious institutions;  
 3           amending s. 790.06, F.S.; authorizing a church, a  
 4           synagogue, or other religious institution to allow a  
 5           concealed weapons or concealed firearms licensee to  
 6           carry a firearm on the property of the church,  
 7           synagogue, or religious institution for certain  
 8           purposes; providing an effective date.

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 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 12           Section 1. Subsection (12) of section 790.06, Florida  
 13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14           790.06 License to carry concealed weapon or firearm.—

15           (12) (a) A license issued under this section does not  
 16 authorize any person to openly carry a handgun or carry a  
 17 concealed weapon or firearm into:

- 18           1. Any place of nuisance as defined in s. 823.05;
- 19           2. Any police, sheriff, or highway patrol station;
- 20           3. Any detention facility, prison, or jail;
- 21           4. Any courthouse;
- 22           5. Any courtroom, except that nothing in this section  
 23 would preclude a judge from carrying a concealed weapon or  
 24 determining who will carry a concealed weapon in his or her  
 25 courtroom;

- 26 |           6. Any polling place;
- 27 |           7. Any meeting of the governing body of a county, public
- 28 | school district, municipality, or special district;
- 29 |           8. Any meeting of the Legislature or a committee thereof;
- 30 |           9. Any school, college, or professional athletic event not
- 31 | related to firearms;
- 32 |           10. Any elementary or secondary school facility or
- 33 | administration building;
- 34 |           11. Any career center;
- 35 |           12. Any portion of an establishment licensed to dispense
- 36 | alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, which
- 37 | portion of the establishment is primarily devoted to such
- 38 | purpose;
- 39 |           13. Any college or university facility unless the licensee
- 40 | is a registered student, employee, or faculty member of such
- 41 | college or university and the weapon is a stun gun or nonlethal
- 42 | electric weapon or device designed solely for defensive purposes
- 43 | and the weapon does not fire a dart or projectile;
- 44 |           14. The inside of the passenger terminal and sterile area
- 45 | of any airport, provided that no person shall be prohibited from
- 46 | carrying any legal firearm into the terminal, which firearm is
- 47 | encased for shipment for purposes of checking such firearm as
- 48 | baggage to be lawfully transported on any aircraft; or
- 49 |           15. Any place where the carrying of firearms is prohibited
- 50 | by federal law.

51 (b) A person licensed under this section may ~~shall~~ not be  
52 prohibited from carrying or storing a firearm in a vehicle for  
53 lawful purposes.

54 (c) Notwithstanding any other law, for the purposes of  
55 safety, security, personal protection, or other lawful purposes,  
56 a church, a synagogue, or any other religious institution may  
57 authorize a person licensed under this section to carry a  
58 firearm on property owned, rented, leased, borrowed, or lawfully  
59 used by the church, synagogue, or religious institution.

60 (d)~~(e)~~ This section does not modify the terms or  
61 conditions of s. 790.251(7).

62 (e)~~(d)~~ Any person who knowingly and willfully violates any  
63 provision of this subsection commits a misdemeanor of the second  
64 degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

65 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.