



**SENATE BILL 1498**

**By Niceley**

**AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated,  
Title 39, relative to firearms.**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:**

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307(g)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(1) The person is at least eighteen (18) years of age;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(b), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead:

(b) Except as provided in subsection (r), any resident of Tennessee who is a United States citizen or lawful permanent resident, as defined by § 55-50-102, may apply to the department of safety for an enhanced handgun carry permit. If the applicant is at least eighteen (18) years of age and is not prohibited from possessing a firearm in this state pursuant to § 39-17-1307(b), 18 U.S.C. § 922(g), or any other state or federal law, and the applicant otherwise meets all of the requirements of this section, the department shall issue a permit to the applicant.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(x)(1), is amended by deleting the language "twenty-one (21) years of age" and substituting instead the language "eighteen (18) years of age".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1313, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(e) Notwithstanding subsection (a), this section does not apply to a person who is under twenty-one (21) years of age and transports or stores a firearm or firearm ammunition in the person's motor vehicle while on or utilizing a public or private parking

area that is located on any public or private school campus, grounds, recreation area, athletic field, or any other property owned, operated, or while in use by any board of education, school, college or university board of trustees, regents, or directors for the administration of any public or private educational institution, unless the person:

(1) Is at least eighteen (18) years of age; and

(2)

(A) Is an honorably discharged or retired veteran of the United States armed forces;

(B) Is an honorably discharged member of the army national guard, the army reserve, the navy reserve, the marine corps reserve, the air national guard, the air force reserve, or the coast guard reserve, who has successfully completed a basic training program; or

(C) Is a member of the United States armed forces on active duty status, or is a current member of the army national guard, the army reserve, the navy reserve, the marine corps reserve, the air national guard, the air force reserve, or the coast guard reserve, who has successfully completed a basic training program.

SECTION 5. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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Signature of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307, is amended by deleting subsection (a).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307(b)(1), is amended by deleting "unlawfully".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307, is amended by deleting subsection (e).

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307, is amended by deleting subsection (g).

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1308, is amended by deleting the section.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1313(a), is amended by deleting "lawfully carries a handgun pursuant to § 39-17-1307(g)" and substituting "is not prohibited from possessing a firearm".

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1364, is amended by deleting "§ 39-17-1307, or".

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, is amended by deleting the language "handgun" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearm" and by deleting the language "handguns" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearms".

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SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(r)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead:

(1) A facially valid handgun permit, firearms permit, weapons permit, or license issued by another state shall be valid in this state according to its terms and shall be treated as if it is a firearm carry permit issued by this state.

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1365, is amended by deleting the language "handgun" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearm".

SECTION 11. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1366, is amended by deleting the language "handgun" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearm" and by deleting the language "handguns" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearms".

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-702(b), is amended by deleting the language "handgun carry permit" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearm carry permit".

SECTION 13. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1309(e)(8)(B), is amended by deleting the language "handgun carry permit" and substituting instead the language "firearm carry permit".

SECTION 14. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1313(a), is amended by deleting the language "handgun carry permit" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearm carry permit".

SECTION 15. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1321(c)(2), is amended by deleting the language "handgun permit" and substituting instead the language "firearm carry permit".

SECTION 16. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1350(g), is amended by deleting the language "handgun" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearm".

SECTION 17. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1352(e), is amended by deleting the language "handgun carry permit" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearm carry permit".

SECTION 18. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1359(g)(1), is amended by deleting the language "handgun carry permit" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "firearm carry permit".

SECTION 19. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(b), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead:

(b) Except as provided in subsection (r), a resident of Tennessee who is a United States citizen or lawful permanent resident, as defined by § 55-50-102, may apply to the department of safety for an enhanced firearm carry permit. If the applicant is at least eighteen (18) years of age and is not prohibited from possessing a firearm in this state pursuant to § 39-17-1307(b), 18 U.S.C. § 922(g), or any other state or federal law, and the applicant otherwise meets all of the requirements of this section, then the department shall issue a permit to the applicant.

SECTION 20. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(x)(1), is amended by deleting the language "twenty-one (21) years of age" and substituting instead the language "eighteen (18) years of age".

SECTION 21. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1325, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) A person or entity who is authorized to prohibit the possession of firearms on the person's or entity's property pursuant to § 39-17-1359 and who elects, pursuant to that authority, to prohibit the possession of firearms by a person lawfully carrying a firearm is not immune from civil liability with respect to a claim based on the person's or entity's adoption of a policy that prohibits weapons on the property by posting pursuant to § 39-17-1359.

SECTION 22. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.