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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 239
Judiciary

(Delegate Owings)

Handgun Prohibitions - Exemption - Authorized Employees

The bill broadens an exemption from the prohibition against wearing, carrying, or transporting a handgun to include an authorized employee who: (1) is within the confines of a business establishment in which the authorized employee is employed; (2) is acting in the course of employment; and (3) has been authorized to wear, carry, or transport the handgun by the owner or manager of the business establishment.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Expanding this current law exemption is not expected to affect governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: A person may not wear, carry, or transport a handgun unless qualified to do so under an express exemption or has been issued a permit to carry a handgun. An authorized supervisory employee is not prevented from wearing, carrying, or transporting a handgun within the confines of a business establishment in which the supervisory employee is employed during the course of employment.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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