



House Bill 820
Handgun Permits - Special Endorsement for Security Clearance Holders
FAVORABLE

House Bill 820 expands the locations where persons who are already authorized to wear and carry a handgun either by virtue of active employment, retired employees who have personal knowledge of classified information or who has a permit bearing an endorsement under this section may wear, carry, or transport a handgun at any place where a law enforcement official is authorized to wear, carry, or transport a handgun in the performance of the official's duties.

Wear and carry permits holders have demonstrated an exemplary record of responsible behavior. Based upon our review of the existing statutes and the language of this bill, we see no threat to public safety.

We urge a favorable report on House Bill 820.

Respectfully,

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