

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1283**

Introduced by

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Senator Sitte

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 62.1-02-05 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the carrying of a firearm with a concealed weapons permit.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 62.1-02-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **62.1-02-05. Possession of a firearm at a public gathering - Penalty - Application.**

7 1. ~~A person~~An individual who possesses a firearm at a public gathering is guilty of a  
8 class B misdemeanor. For the purpose of this section, "public gathering" includes  
9 athletic or sporting events, schools or school functions, churches or church functions,  
10 political rallies or functions, musical concerts, and individuals in publicly owned parks  
11 where hunting is not allowed by proclamation and publicly owned or operated  
12 buildings. ~~The term "public gathering" does not apply to a state or federal park.~~

13 2. This section does not apply to ~~law~~:

14 a. ~~A law enforcement officers~~officer; ~~members~~

15 b. ~~A member~~ of the armed forces of the United States or national guard, organized  
16 reserves, state defense forces, or state guard organizations, when on duty;  
17 ~~competitors~~

18 c. ~~A competitor~~ participating in ~~an~~ organized sport shooting ~~event~~event; ~~gun and~~

19 d. ~~A gun or antique show~~show; ~~participants~~

20 e. ~~A participant~~ using ~~a~~ blank cartridge ~~firearms~~firearm at ~~a~~ sporting or theatrical  
21 ~~event~~event; ~~any firearms~~

22 f. ~~A firearm~~ carried in a temporary residence or motor vehicle; ~~students and~~  
23 ~~instructors~~

24 g. ~~A student and an instructor~~ at ~~a~~ hunter safety ~~classes~~class; ~~or private~~

- 1           h. Private security personnel while on duty. ~~In addition, a:~~
- 2           i. A state or federal park;
- 3           j. An individual possessing a valid concealed weapons license from this state or a  
4           valid license issued by another state authorizing the person to carry a dangerous  
5           weapon concealed if the individual is in a church and has the approval to carry in  
6           the church by a primary religious leader of the church or the governing body of  
7           the church or is in a school and has the approval to carry by the principal or the  
8           governing body of the school; and
- 9           k. A municipal court judge licensed to practice law in this state, a district court  
10           judge, a staff member of the office of attorney general, and a retired North Dakota  
11           law enforcement officer are exempt from the prohibition and penalty in-  
12           subsection 4, if the individual maintains the same level of firearms proficiency as  
13           is required by the peace officer standards and training board for law enforcement  
14           officers. A local law enforcement agency shall issue a certificate of compliance  
15           under this section to an individual who is proficient.
- 16        3. This section does not prevent any political subdivision from enacting an ordinance  
17        ~~which~~that is less restrictive than this section relating to the possession of firearms at a  
18        public gathering. ~~Such an~~An enacted ordinance supersedes this section within the  
19        jurisdiction of the political subdivision.