

HB 462 -- CONCEALABLE FIREARMS (Munzlinger)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Special Committee on General Laws

This bill changes the laws regarding concealable firearms and firearms training permits. In its main provisions, the bill:

- (1) Makes state restrictions on the transfer of concealable firearms identical to the federal restrictions;
- (2) Reduces the penalty for an illegal transfer of concealable firearms from a class A misdemeanor to an infraction punishable by a fine of not more than \$100;
- (3) Repeals the permit requirement for the purchase of a concealable firearm;
- (4) Allows police or sheriffs' departments to sell or trade certain confiscated firearms to licensed firearms dealers;
- (5) Exempts federal flight deck officers from the crime of unlawful use of weapons under certain circumstances; and
- (6) Changes the laws regarding the firearms safety training requirement for obtaining a permit to carry a concealed weapon. The requirement that an applicant must demonstrate knowledge of firearms safety will be fully satisfied if the applicant submits proof that he or she:
  - (a) Holds any type of valid peace officer license issued under the requirements of Chapter 590, RSMo;
  - (b) Is allowed to carry firearms in accordance with the certification requirements of Section 217.710 for probation and parole officers or members of the Board of Probation and Parole; or
  - (c) Is certified as any class of corrections officer by the Department of Corrections and has passed a department-approved, eight-hour firearms training course.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2008, FY 2009, and FY 2010.