HCS HB 328 -- CONCEALED CARRY PERMITS (Taylor (48))

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Standing Committee on General Laws

Currently, it is a crime to board a bus with a dangerous or deadly weapon or carry such a weapon in a terminal.

This bill allows a concealed carry permit holder to lawfully carry firearms on public transportation. Individuals with a permit can also carry a firearm while traveling by bus. This bill does not apply to property of Amtrak or any partnership in which Amtrak engages.

The bill expands the listed items that satisfy the requirement that an applicant for a concealed carry permit demonstrate knowledge of firearms safety training to include, for active duty military service members, receipt of a pistol marksmanship recognition.

The bill lowers the age requirement from at least 19 to 18 years of age or older for concealed carry permits.

This bill is similar to HB 1708 (2024).