

HJR 181 -- FIREARMS

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Currently, the Missouri Constitution guarantees every State citizen the right to keep and bear arms. Upon voter approval, this constitutional amendment removes that guarantee and allows any county, the city of St. Louis, and the city of Kansas City to regulate the possession, carrying, or transfer of firearms within city or county limits. The amendment authorizes the city or county to, by ordinance, issue a permit or certificate and charge a fee, as specified. For any nonresident, a city or county must recognize as valid any permit or certificate authorizing the possession or carrying of firearms issued by the individual's county of residence.

The amendment also lists individuals who must be exempt from any such ordinance.

The resolution specifies the penalties that can be authorized by the city or county, not to exceed a fine of \$1,000 or imprisonment for more than one year, or both.

This bill is similar to HJR 17 (2025).