

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 746

BY REPRESENTATIVES GAROFALO, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BAGLEY, BEAULLIEU, BUTLER, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CORMIER, COX, CREWS, DESHOTEL, DUBUISSON, EDMONSTON, EMERSON, FARNUM, FIRMENT, FONTENOT, FRIEMAN, GADBERRY, GOUDEAU, HARRIS, HORTON, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, MIKE JOHNSON, MCCORMICK, MCFARLAND, MCKNIGHT, MCMAHEN, MIGUEZ, GREGORY MILLER, MINCEY, NELSON, CHARLES OWEN, ROBERT OWEN, PRESSLY, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SEABAUGH, STEFANSKI, THOMAS, THOMPSON, WHEAT, WHITE, AND WRIGHT

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 14:95(L), relative to the illegal carrying of weapons; to provide an exception
3 to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons for certain persons during a mandatory
4 evacuation in a declared state of emergency or disaster; to provide for definitions;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 14:95(L) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §95. Illegal carrying of weapons

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10 L. The provisions of Paragraph (A)(1) of this Section shall not apply to any
11 person who is not prohibited from possessing a firearm pursuant to R.S. 14:95.1 or
12 any other state or federal law and who is carrying a concealed firearm on or about
13 his person while in the act of evacuating during a mandatory evacuation order issued
14 during a state of emergency or disaster declared pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland
15 Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act. For purposes of this
16 Subsection, "in the act of evacuating" means the immediate and urgent movement
17 of a person away from the evacuation area within forty-eight hours after a mandatory

1 evacuation is ordered. The forty-eight-hour period may be extended by an order
2 issued by the governor.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____