

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

4 ENGROSSED SENATE
5 BILL NO. 708

By: David of the Senate

and

Echols of the House

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9 An Act relating to city property security; allowing
10 certain persons to carry handguns on public city or
11 municipality property; authorizing city councils or
12 boards of trustees to allow for participation in
13 training; construing provision; making participation
voluntary; providing for payment of academy training
expenses; providing immunity from civil and criminal
liability; stating certain preclusions; providing for
codification; and providing an effective date.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 22-139 of Title 11, unless there
19 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. The city council or board of trustees for a city or
21 municipality may, through a majority vote of the council or board,
22 designate city or municipality personnel who have been issued a
23 handgun license pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act to attend
24 an armed security guard training program, as provided for in Section

1 1750.5 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or a reserve peace
2 officer certification program, as provided for in Section 3311 of
3 Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, provided and developed by the
4 Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET). Nothing
5 in this section shall be construed to prohibit or limit the city
6 council or board of trustees of a city or municipality from
7 requiring ongoing education and training.

8 B. Participation in either the armed security guard training
9 program or the reserve peace officer certification program shall be
10 voluntary and shall not in any way be considered a requirement for
11 continued employment with the city or municipality. The city
12 council or board of trustees of a city or municipality shall have
13 the final authority to determine and designate personnel who will be
14 authorized to obtain and use an armed security guard license or
15 reserve peace officer certification in conjunction with their
16 employment as city or municipality personnel.

17 C. The city council or board of trustees of a city or
18 municipality that authorizes personnel to participate in either the
19 armed security guard program or the reserve peace officer program
20 may pay all necessary training, meal and lodging expenses associated
21 with the training.

22 D. When carrying a firearm pursuant to this act, the person
23 shall at all times carry the firearm on his or her person or the
24 firearm shall be stored in a locked and secure location.

1 E. Any city or municipality personnel who have successfully
2 completed either training and while acting in good faith shall be
3 immune from civil and criminal liability for any injury resulting
4 from the carrying of a handgun onto city or municipality property as
5 provided in this act. Any city council, board of trustees or
6 participating local law enforcement agency shall be immune from
7 civil and criminal liability for any injury resulting from any act
8 committed by the city or municipality personnel who are designated
9 to carry a concealed handgun on public city or municipality property
10 pursuant to the provisions of this act.

11 F. In order to carry out the provisions of this section, the
12 city council or board of trustees of a city or municipality is
13 authorized to enter into a memorandum of understanding with local
14 law enforcement entities.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, dated 04/04/2019 -
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