

# House Bill 3275

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## SUMMARY

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Authorizes Oregon Health Authority employees who work on Oregon State Hospital campus to store personal handgun and ammunition in vehicle when certain requirements are met. Directs authority to adopt policies or rules for possession and storage of handgun and ammunition on Oregon State Hospital campus.

Provides that authority does not have duty to inspect or secure vehicles or parking areas.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to possession of firearms by state hospital staff.

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

**SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2019 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 166.360 to 166.380.**

**SECTION 2. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 162.135 and 162.185 or any Oregon Health Authority regulation, rule, policy or provision of an employment contract to the contrary, if the authority has not provided a secure and locked location for the storage of personal handguns and ammunition by hospital staff, hospital staff may possess a personal handgun and ammunition in the hospital staff member's personal vehicle when the vehicle is parked on the premises of an Oregon State Hospital campus if the hospital staff member:**

**(a) Is present on the premises of an Oregon State Hospital campus;**

**(b) Has a valid concealed handgun license issued pursuant to ORS 166.291 and 166.292; and**

**(c) Has secured the personal handgun and ammunition in a closed and locked container designed for the storage of firearms inside the vehicle.**

**(2)(a) Hospital staff may possess and store only the amount and types of ammunition authorized by the authority by written policy or rule.**

**(b) The authority shall adopt written policies or rules to carry out the purposes of this section. The policies or rules shall include, at a minimum, procedures for and responsibilities of hospital staff when possessing and storing personal handguns and ammunition on the premises of an Oregon State Hospital campus.**

**(3) As used in this section and section 3 of this 2019 Act:**

**(a) "Handgun" has the meaning given that term in ORS 166.210.**

**(b) "Hospital staff" means employees of the Oregon Health Authority who are assigned to work on an Oregon State Hospital campus.**

**(c) "Vehicle" means a vehicle that is self-propelled and that is commonly known as a passenger car, van, truck or motorcycle.**

**SECTION 3. (1) The presence of a handgun or ammunition on the premises of an Oregon State Hospital campus pursuant to section 2 of this 2019 Act does not, by itself, constitute a failure by the Oregon Health Authority to provide a safe workplace.**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1           **(2) The authority and its employees and agents do not have a duty:**

2           **(a) To patrol, inspect or secure any parking lot, parking garage or other parking area**  
3 **provided for employees or any privately owned vehicle located in the parking lot, parking**  
4 **garage or other parking area to ensure compliance with section 2 of this 2019 Act; or**

5           **(b) To investigate, confirm or determine hospital staff's compliance with laws, rules or**  
6 **policies related to the ownership or possession of a handgun or ammunition or the trans-**  
7 **portation and storage of a handgun or ammunition.**

8           **SECTION 4. Section 2 of this 2019 Act applies to employment contracts entered into or**  
9 **renewed on or after the effective date of this 2019 Act.**

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