



Buckeye Firearms Association

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Chairman Maag, Vice Chair Kunze, Ranking member Gerberry and members of the House State Government Committee. I speak today in support of House Bill 20.

O.R.C. Section 2923.122 has been one of the most problematic sections for concealed handgun license holders. It has proven difficult for license holders to comply with, causing problems for schools, parents, and prosecutors. HB 20 will better align Ohio with Federal law in school zones, and clearly allow normal activities that occur on school property every school day, while maintaining the existing prohibition for license holders carrying firearms at school activities or inside school buildings.

Current law forbids a person with a concealed handgun license from being on school property while in possession of their firearms unless they are "immediately in the process of picking up or dropping off a child." HB 20 extends that exemption to other persons and objects.

HB 20 changes the mandate that the license holder remain in a vehicle, to requiring the firearm remain in the vehicle.

This is a simple bill that solves real problems while making the law easier to understand, comply with and enforce. We ask for your support for this legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

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