HB0172	**Repeal gun free zones and preemption amendments.**

Sponsored By: Representative(s) Haroldson, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Brown, G, Filer, Geringer, Hoeft, Johnson, Knapp, Lien, Locke, McCann, Ottman, Riggins, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Smith, S, Styvar, Tarver, Washut, Webber, Wharff and Wylie and Senator(s) Hicks, Kolb, Laursen, D, McKeown, Pearson, Smith, D and Steinmetz

AN ACT relating to concealed weapons; repealing gun free zones; providing for the carrying of concealed weapons as specified; creating a criminal offense for prohibiting entry to a person carrying a concealed weapon as specified; clarifying that only the state legislature may regulate firearms, weapons and ammunition; providing for exceptions; requiring rulemaking; and providing for an effective date.

1/13/2025 Bill Number Assigned
1/14/2025 H Received for Introduction
1/14/2025 H Introduced and Referred to H01 - Judiciary
1/20/2025 H01 - Judiciary:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 8-1-0-0-0

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Representative(s) Brady, Bratten, Filer, Kelly, Lien, Singh, Washut, Webb
Nays: Representative Chestek
Ayes 8 **Nays** 1 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

1/20/2025 H Placed on General File

HB0172HS001.01/ADOPTED [DIVIDED AMENDMENT]
(CORRECTED CORRECTED COPY)

Page 4-line 5 After "services" insert "or department of corrections".

Page 4-after line 16 Insert:

"(vii) Prohibit a governmental entity from:

(A) Enacting reasonable rules pertaining to the safe storage of firearms when not being carried on the person of an employee or student;

(B) Enacting rules pertaining to the safe handling of firearms by employees, students or visitors while on a campus or in a facility.".

Page 4-line 19 After "person" delete "to" and insert "for"; delete "carry" and insert "carrying".

Page 6-line 2 Delete "subject to".

Page 6-line 3 Delete "approval by" and insert "in consultation with".

Page 8-line 17 Delete "immediately upon".

Page 8-lines 18 through 20 Delete entirely and insert "July 1, 2025.".WASHUT, CHAIRMAN

HB0172HS001.02/FAILED [DIVIDED AMENDMENT] (CORRECTED COPY)

Page 4-after line 16 Insert:

"(vii) Prohibit a governmental entity from:

(C) Enacting policies that restrict a particular person from bringing a firearm into a disciplinary proceeding, expulsion hearing or other similar meeting.". WASHUT, CHAIRMAN

HB0172HW001/FAILED

Page 7-after line 4 Insert:

"(j) In any school district providing elementary or secondary education, any person who wishes to carry a concealed weapon into any school facility shall register at the front office of such facility and notify school district personnel that the person is carrying a concealed weapon. The notification shall include the name of the person, their contact information and the type of weapon they are carrying.". CHESTEK

HB0172HW002/WITHDRAWN

HB0172HW003/FAILED

Page 1-line 2 After "zones" insert "as specified".

Page 2-line 11 Delete "governmental" and insert "state".

Page 2-line 14 After "thereof" insert "when the meeting is held on state-owned property".

Page 2-line 16 Delete "public" and insert "state-owned".

Page 2-line 22 Delete "the following places:".

Page 3-line 1 Delete "(i)".

Page 3-line 2 Delete "public" and insert "state".

Page 3-line 3 Delete ";" and insert ".".

Page 3-lines 5 through 8 Delete entirely.

Page 3-line 18 Delete "governmental" and insert "state".

Page 3-line 20 Delete "governmental" and insert "state".

Page 4-after line 16 In the House standing committee amendment (HB0172HS001/A) to this line, delete "governmental" and insert "state"; delete "on a campus or".

Page 5-lines 4 through 21 Delete entirely.

Page 6 Delete entirely, including the House standing committee amendment (HB0172HS001/A) to this page.

Page 7-lines 1 through 4 Delete entirely.

Page 8-line 9 After "**Section 3.**" delete balance of line.

Page 8-line 10 Delete entirely and insert "W.S. 6-8-104(t)(iv) and (v) is repealed.". CAMPBELL, E

1/21/2025 H COW:Passed

HB0172H2001/FAILED (CORRECTED COPY)
Page 7-after line 4 Insert:

"(j) Any early childhood education center located on the campus of any post secondary education institution shall be a gun free zone.". CAMPBELL, E, CHESTEK

1/22/2025 H 2nd Reading:Passed

HB0172H3001/FAILED
Page 4-before line 18 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"(vii) Prohibit an early childhood education center with a prevention and protection plan from prohibiting the open or concealed carry of a weapon within an early childhood education center.". SHERWOOD

HB0172H3002/FAILED
Page 4-before line 18 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"(vii) Allow the carrying of a concealed weapon in any public school by persons between eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21) years of age with a permit issued under W.S. 6-8-104(j) if the person is a student in any public school.". HARSHMAN

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Representative(s) Banks, Brown, L, Byron, Campbell, E, Chestek, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Erickson, Filer, Geringer, Harshman, Hoeft, Larsen, Larson, Lawley, Nicholas, Provenza, Sherwood, Singh, Storer, Strock, Thayer, Washut, Winter, Wylie, Yin
Nays: Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Campbell, K, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Heiner, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Ottman, Pendergraft, Posey, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Smith, Styvar, Tarver, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams
Excused: Representative(s) Eklund, Jarvis, Riggins
Ayes 27 **Nays** 32 **Excused** 3 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

HB0172H3003/ADOPTED
Page 3-line 20 Delete entirely and insert "in its facilities or on its campus;".

Page 4-after line 16 Delete the House standing committee amendment (HB0172HS001.01/A) to this line and insert and renumber as necessary:

"(vii) Prohibit a governmental entity from requiring any employee or student to store firearms within a concealed biometric container or locking container when not being carried on the employee's or student's person, except said rules shall not:

(A) Prohibit the storage of firearms and ammunition in public campus housing by any employee or student authorized to carry a concealed firearm pursuant to this section; or

(B) Require that a firearm be stored unloaded or separate from its ammunition.". HAROLDSON

HB0172H3004/FAILED

Page 2-line 11 After "entity" insert ", unless the governmental entity determines that the concealed carrying of weapons at a meeting places the public at risk pursuant to W.S. 15-1-103(a)(xviii) or similar rule of the governmental entity". CAMPBELL, E

1/23/2025 H 3rd Reading:Passed 50-10-2-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Brown, L, Campbell, K, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Erickson, Filer, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Hoeft, Jarvis, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Larsen, Larson, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Ottman, Pendergraft, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Singh, Smith, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams, Winter, Wylie

Nays: Representative(s) Byron, Campbell, E, Chestek, Nicholas, Posey, Provenza, Sherwood, Storer, Thayer, Yin

Excused: Representative(s) Eklund, Riggins

Ayes 50 **Nays** 10 **Excused** 2 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

1/24/2025 S Received for Introduction
2/10/2025 S Introduced and Referred to S01 - Judiciary
2/19/2025 S01 - Judiciary:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 5-0-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Crago, Crum, Hicks, Kolb, Olsen

Ayes 5 **Nays** 0 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/19/2025 S Placed on General File

HB0172SS001/ADOPTED **(TO ENGROSSED COPY)**

Page 2-line 20 After "(c)" insert "Subject to W.S. 6-8-104(t)(ix) and subsection (f) of this section,".

Page 4-line 5 Before "licensed" insert "exempt from licensure or".

Page 4-line 20 Delete "locking container" and insert "a lock box within the employee's or student's direct control at all times"; after "when" insert "the firearms are".

Page 5-line 20 After "employees" insert "and volunteers".

Page 6-line 1 After "employee" insert "or a volunteer".

Page 6-line 5 Before "employees" insert "volunteers or".

Page 7-line 19 After "W.S." insert "6-8-104(t)(ix) and"; delete "is" and insert "are".

Page 7-after line 19 Insert:

"**6-8-104. Wearing or carrying concealed weapons; penalties; exceptions; permits.**

(t) No person authorized to carry a concealed weapon pursuant to paragraphs (a)(ii) through (iv) of this section shall carry a concealed firearm into:

(ix) Any elementary or secondary school facility~~, except as provided in W.S. 21-3-132~~ if the person is enrolled as a student at any elementary or secondary school;".

Page 8-line 8 Delete "or entity".

Page 8-line 22 After "(vi)" delete ", (ix)". OLSEN, CHAIRMAN

HB0172SW001/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)
Page 2-after line 14 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"(iii) Any public airport in areas of the airport where the carrying of concealed weapons is not prohibited or restricted under federal law or federal regulation;".

Page 2-line 16 Delete "(iii)" and insert "(iv)". HICKS

2/19/2025 S COW:Passed
2/20/2025 S 2nd Reading:Passed

HB0172S3001/FAILED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)
Page 3-line 1 After "(i)" insert "Except as provided in paragraph (ii) of this subsection,".

Page 3-line 6 After "facility" insert ", if approved by the board of trustees of the school district". BONER

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Senator(s) Anderson, Boner, Brennan, Case, Cooper, Crago, Crum, Driskill, Gierau, Landen, Pappas, Rothfuss, Schuler
Nays: Senator(s) Barlow, Biteman, Dockstader, French, Hicks, Hutchings, Ide, Jones, Kolb, Laursen, Mckeown, Nethercott, Olsen, Pearson, Salazar, Scott, Smith, Steinmetz
Ayes 13 **Nays** 18 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

HB0172S3002/FAILED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)
Page 6-line 6 After "section." insert "Any school district whose board of trustees has adopted rules and regulations pursuant to W.S. 21-3-132 prior to July 1, 2025 shall be exempt from the requirements of this subsection. All

new rules adopted after July 1, 2025 shall be subject to this subsection.". GIERAU, DRISKILL, SCHULER

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Senator(s) Anderson, Boner, Case, Cooper, Driskill, Gierau, Rothfuss, Schuler
Nays: Senator(s) Barlow, Biteman, Brennan, Crago, Crum, Dockstader, French, Hicks, Hutchings, Ide, Jones, Kolb, Landen, Laursen, Mckeown, Nethercott, Olsen, Pappas, Pearson, Salazar, Scott, Smith, Steinmetz
Ayes 8 **Nays** 23 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

HB0172S3003/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)
Page 7-after line 12 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"(h) For purposes of this section, "governmental entity" means the state, the university of Wyoming and any local government as defined by W.S. 1-39-103(a)(ii).".

Page 7-line 14 Delete "(h)" and insert "(j)". STEINMETZ

2/21/2025 S 3rd Reading:Passed 25-6-0-0-0

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Senator(s) Barlow, Biteman, Boner, Brennan, Cooper, Crago, Crum, Dockstader, Driskill, French, Hicks, Hutchings, Ide, Jones, Kolb, Landen, Laursen, Mckeown, Nethercott, Olsen, Pearson, Salazar, Scott, Smith, Steinmetz
Nays: Senator(s) Anderson, Case, Gierau, Pappas, Rothfuss, Schuler
Ayes 25 **Nays** 6 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/21/2025 H Received for Concurrence
2/21/2025 H Concur:Passed 47-7-8-0-0

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Brown, L, Byron, Campbell, K, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Eklund, Filer, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Hoeft, Jarvis, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Larson, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Ottman, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Singh, Smith, Strock, Styvar, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams, Winter, Wylie
Nays: Representative(s) Chestek, Nicholas, Provenza, Sherwood, Storer, Thayer, Yin
Excused: Representative(s) Banks, Campbell, E, Erickson, Larsen, Pendergraft, Posey, Riggins, Tarver
Ayes 47 **Nays** 7 **Excused** 8 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

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