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AN ACT

To repeal section 571.111, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to firearms safety training requirements for concealed carry endorsements, with existing penalty provisions and an emergency clause.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 571.111, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 571.111, to read as follows:

- 571.111. 1. An applicant for a concealed carry endorsement shall 2 demonstrate knowledge of firearms safety training. This requirement shall be
- 3 fully satisfied if the applicant for a concealed carry endorsement:
- 4 (1) Submits a photocopy of a certificate of firearms safety training course
- 5 completion, as defined in subsection 2 of this section, signed by a qualified
- 6 firearms safety instructor as defined in subsection 5 of this section; or
- 7 (2) Submits a photocopy of a certificate that shows the applicant
- 8 completed a firearms safety course given by or under the supervision of any state,
- 9 county, municipal, or federal law enforcement agency; or
- 10 (3) Is a qualified firearms safety instructor as defined in subsection 5 of 11 this section; or
- 12 (4) Submits proof that the applicant currently holds any type of valid 13 peace officer license issued under the requirements of chapter 590; or
- 14 (5) Submits proof that the applicant is currently allowed to carry firearms 15 in accordance with the certification requirements of section 217.710; or
- 16 (6) Submits proof that the applicant is currently certified as any class of

corrections officer by the Missouri department of corrections and has passed at

- 18 least one eight-hour firearms training course, approved by the director of the
- 19 Missouri department of corrections under the authority granted to him or her by

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- 20 section 217.105, that includes instruction on the justifiable use of force as 21 prescribed in chapter 563.
- 22 2. A certificate of firearms safety training course completion may be
- 23 issued to any applicant by any qualified firearms safety instructor. On the
- 24 certificate of course completion the qualified firearms safety instructor shall
- 25 affirm that the individual receiving instruction has taken and passed a firearms
- 26 safety course of at least eight hours in length taught by the instructor that
- 27 included:
- 28 (1) Handgun safety in the classroom, at home, on the firing range and
- 29 while carrying the firearm;
- 30 (2) A physical demonstration performed by the applicant that
- 31 demonstrated his or her ability to safely load and unload a revolver and a
- 32 semiautomatic pistol and demonstrated his or her marksmanship with both;
- 33 (3) The basic principles of marksmanship;
- 34 (4) Care and cleaning of concealable firearms;
- 35 (5) Safe storage of firearms at home;
- 36 (6) The requirements of this state for obtaining a certificate of
- 37 qualification for a concealed carry endorsement from the sheriff of the individual's
- 38 county of residence and a concealed carry endorsement issued by the department
- 39 of revenue;
- 40 (7) The laws relating to firearms as prescribed in this chapter;
- 41 (8) The laws relating to the justifiable use of force as prescribed in
- 42 chapter 563;
- 43 (9) A live firing exercise of sufficient duration for each applicant to fire
- 44 both a revolver and a semiautomatic pistol, from a standing position or its
- 45 equivalent, a minimum of fifty rounds from each handgun at a distance of seven
- 46 yards from a B-27 silhouette target or an equivalent target;
- 47 (10) A live fire test administered to the applicant while the instructor was
- 48 present of twenty rounds from each handgun from a standing position or its
- 49 equivalent at a distance from a B-27 silhouette target, or an equivalent target,
- 50 of seven yards.
- 51 3. A qualified firearms safety instructor shall not give a grade of passing
- 52 to an applicant for a concealed carry endorsement who:
- 53 (1) Does not follow the orders of the qualified firearms instructor or
- 54 cognizant range officer; or
- 55 (2) Handles a firearm in a manner that, in the judgment of the qualified

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56 firearm safety instructor, poses a danger to the applicant or to others; or

- 57 (3) During the live fire testing portion of the course fails to hit the silhouette portion of the targets with at least fifteen rounds, with both handguns.
- 4. Qualified firearms safety instructors who provide firearms safety instruction to any person who applies for a concealed carry endorsement shall:
- 61 (1) Make the applicant's course records available upon request to the 62 sheriff of the county in which the applicant resides;
- 63 (2) Maintain all course records on students for a period of no less than 64 four years from course completion date; and
- 65 (3) Not have more than forty students in the classroom portion of the course or more than five students per range officer engaged in range firing.
- 5. A firearms safety instructor shall be considered to be a qualified firearms safety instructor by any sheriff issuing a certificate of qualification for a concealed carry endorsement pursuant to sections 571.101 to 571.121 if the instructor:
- 71 (1) Is a valid firearms safety instructor certified by the National Rifle 72 Association holding a rating as a personal protection instructor or pistol 73 marksmanship instructor; or
- 74 (2) Submits a photocopy of a certificate from a firearms safety instructor's course offered by a local, state, or federal governmental agency; or
- 76 (3) Submits a photocopy of a certificate from a firearms safety instructor 77 course approved by the department of public safety; or
- 78 (4) Has successfully completed a firearms safety instructor course given 79 by or under the supervision of any state, county, municipal, or federal law 80 enforcement agency; or
 - (5) Is a certified police officer firearms safety instructor.

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- 6. Any firearms safety instructor who knowingly provides any sheriff with any false information concerning an applicant's performance on any portion of the required training and qualification shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.
- 7. The amendments to this section as enacted by senate substitute no. 2 for senate committee substitute for house committee substitute for house bill nos. 294, 123, 125, 113, 271 & 215, ninety-sixth general assembly, first regular session, shall only apply to applications submitted after August 28, 2011, for a new concealed carry endorsement or for a new concealed carry endorsement subsequent to the expiration of a previously issued concealed carry endorsement, and shall not apply

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92 to renewals of unexpired endorsements issued prior to August 28, 2011.

Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to clarify the

- $2\,\,$ requirements for renewals of concealed carry endorsements, this act is deemed
- $3\quad necessary\ for\ the\ immediate\ preservation\ of\ the\ public\ health,\ welfare,\ peace,\ and$
- 4 safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the
- 5 constitution, and this act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and
- 6 approval.

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