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**A223, R255, H3799**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

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Governor's Action: June 3, 2016, Signed

Summary: Concealed weapons permit

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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3/5/2015 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 39](file:///h:\HJ%20Archive\2015\03-05-15.docx))

3/5/2015 House Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([House Journal‑page 39](file:///h:\HJ%20Archive\2015\03-05-15.docx))

4/22/2015 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Chumley

4/22/2015 House Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary** ([House Journal‑page 9](file:///h:\HJ%20Archive\2015\04-22-15.docx))

4/23/2015 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Rivers

4/28/2015 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 54](file:///h:\HJ%20Archive\2015\04-28-15.docx))

4/28/2015 House Roll call Yeas‑101 Nays‑5 ([House Journal‑page 54](file:///h:\HJ%20Archive\2015\04-28-15.docx))

4/29/2015 House Read third time and sent to Senate ([House Journal‑page 24](file:///h:\HJ%20Archive\2015\04-29-15.docx))

4/29/2015 House Roll call Yeas‑74 Nays‑9 ([House Journal‑page 25](file:///h:\HJ%20Archive\2015\04-29-15.docx))

4/29/2015 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 15](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2015\04-29-15.docx))

4/29/2015 Senate Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 15](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2015\04-29-15.docx))

5/5/2015 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Hutto (ch), Bright, Scott, Gregory, Shealy

2/2/2016 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Hutto (ch), Bright, Gregory, Shealy, M.B.Matthews

4/13/2016 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 20](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\04-13-16.docx))

5/12/2016 Senate Special order, set for May 12, 2016 ([Senate Journal‑page 47](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\05-12-16.docx))

5/12/2016 Senate Roll call Ayes‑36 Nays‑5 ([Senate Journal‑page 47](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\05-12-16.docx))

5/24/2016 Senate Debate interrupted ([Senate Journal‑page 125](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\05-24-16.docx))

5/26/2016 Senate Debate interrupted ([Senate Journal‑page 66](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\05-26-16.docx))

5/31/2016 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 165](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\05-31-16.docx))

6/1/2016 Senate Committee Amendment Withdrawn ([Senate Journal‑page 68](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\06-01-16.docx))

6/1/2016 Senate Read third time and enrolled ([Senate Journal‑page 68](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\06-01-16.docx))

6/1/2016 Senate Roll call Ayes‑35 Nays‑3 ([Senate Journal‑page 68](file:///h:\SJ%20Archive\2016\06-01-16.docx))

6/2/2016 Ratified R 255

6/3/2016 Signed By Governor

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**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 23‑31‑215, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SOUTH CAROLINA SHALL RECOGNIZE CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS ISSUED BY GEORGIA AND NORTH CAROLINA UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

**Concealed weapon permits**

SECTION 1. Section 23‑31‑215(N) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 349 of 2008, is further amended to read:

“(N)(1) Valid out‑of‑state permits to carry concealable weapons held by a resident of a reciprocal state must be honored by this State, provided, that the reciprocal state requires an applicant to successfully pass a criminal background check and a course in firearm training and safety. A resident of a reciprocal state carrying a concealable weapon in South Carolina is subject to and must abide by the laws of South Carolina regarding concealable weapons. SLED shall maintain and publish a list of those states as the states with which South Carolina has reciprocity.

(2) Notwithstanding the reciprocity requirements of item (1), South Carolina shall automatically recognize concealed weapon permits issued by Georgia and North Carolina.

(3) The reciprocity provisions of this section shall not be construed to authorize the holder of any out‑of‑state permit or license to carry, in this State, any firearm or weapon other than a handgun.”

**Time effective**

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 2nd day of June, 2016.

Approved the 3rd day of June, 2016.

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