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Summary of Changes Version N to Version I

Senate Bill 174

“An Act relating to the regulation of firearms and knives by the University of Alaska”

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Under AS 14.40.173(b) which adds exceptions of how the Board of Regents may regulate the possession, ownership, use, carrying, registration, storage, or transportation of concealed handguns or knives

Removed:

- When the behavior of a student or an employee demonstrates that the student or employee poses a risk of harm to self or others [Version N, Page 2, lines 5-6]
- In university facilities where health services, counseling services, or other services related to sexual harassment or violence are provided [Version N, Page 2, lines 8-9]
- In university facilities during adjudication of staff or student disciplinary issues [Version N, Page 2, lines 10-11]

Page 2, Line 8

From the language which allows the Board of Regents to adopt and enforce policies regarding openly carried firearms, removes the terms “possession,” “ownership,” “use,” “registration,” “storage,” and “transportation”

Page 2, Lines 15-18

In the language which allows the Board of Regents to adopt and enforce policies restricting possession of firearms and knives in “restricted access areas” (defined on page 4), adds the words: “which may include university-designated rooms where sexual assault, sexual harassment, or domestic violence are investigated and victim assistance is provided and in university-designated rooms during adjudication of staff or student disciplinary issues and disputes”

Page 2, Lines 21-31 and Page 3, Lines 1-2

Adds a new subsection that specifies if the Board of Regents adopts a policy regulating concealed carry in dormitories, it must require:

1. If the person is not a resident of the dormitory, the owner shall carry the handgun at all times
2. If the person is a resident of the dormitory:
 - a. The handgun is stored in an owner provided lockbox at all times he or she is not carrying the handgun
 - b. The owner is responsible for ensuring the storage is in compliance with state law
 - c. The owner may not leave the handgun in a lockbox unattended in a dormitory room for more than one day
 - d. The owner must declare to the university that the owner intends to keep the weapon in the owner's dormitory room

Page 3, Lines 3-11

Specifies that the university may privately collect and store (for not more than a year) information regarding a student who intends to keep a weapon in the student's dormitory room. The university may use that information when making housing decisions for students who expressed they don't want to share a dormitory room with a person who possesses a firearm. The university may not segregate students who intend to keep a weapon in a dormitory room to a separate building, floor, or area of the university.

Page 3, Lines 16-19

Specifies the university may not require written permission before a person may possess a firearm on campus and they may not adopt implied consent policies regarding restricted possession of concealed handguns or knives

Page 3, Lines 30-31

Adds a definition of "lockbox" to mean: a metal, hard-sided container designed to enclose or encase handguns with a built-in locking mechanism.