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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 362

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the possession of concealed  
7 weapons."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE. (a) The legislature finds that the  
10 rising rate of violent crime in the state endangers the health, safety, and  
11 welfare of all persons in the state. It is in keeping with the people's  
12 historic right to bear arms to provide a means by which qualified, respons-  
13 ible individuals may carry a concealed weapon for self-protection.

14 (b) It is the purpose of this Act to

15 (1) provide a method of allowing qualified persons to carry  
16 concealed weapons so that they may protect themselves from violent crimes  
17 such as homicide and rape;

18 (2) insure that only responsible individuals are allowed to carry  
19 concealed weapons by establishing qualifications which must be met before a  
20 permit may be obtained.

21 \* Sec. 2. AS 11.61.220 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

22 (h) This section does not apply to a person with a permit to  
23 carry a concealed weapon issued under AS 44.99.011.

24 \* Sec. 3. AS 44.99 is amended by adding a new section to read:

25 Sec. 44.99.011. PERMIT FOR CONCEALED WEAPON. (a) The Depart-  
26 ment of Public Safety shall, within 30 days after the filing of an  
27 application, issue to a qualified applicant a permit to carry a weapon  
28 concealed on his person for the purpose of self-protection. Within  
29 seven days after issuing a permit, the department shall deliver a copy

1 to the commissioner of public safety. The department shall preserve a  
2 copy of each permit for at least six years after the date the permit is  
3 issued. A permit to carry a concealed weapon shall contain the follow-  
4 ing information:

- 5 (1) the name and address of the permittee;
- 6 (2) a physical description of the permittee;
- 7 (3) the fingerprints of the permittee;
- 8 (4) the reason given by the permittee for wanting a permit;
- 9 (5) the signature of the permittee; and
- 10 (6) the date the permit is issued.

11 (b) An applicant who is at least 19 years of age, passes an  
12 examination of his eyesight, and demonstrates his ability to exercise  
13 ordinary and reasonable competence in firing and handling a firearm is  
14 qualified to receive a permit under this section unless the applicant

15 (1) has been convicted of a felony by any court and the con-  
16 viction has not been set aside by a pardon or post-conviction proceed-  
17 ings;

18 (2) is addicted to the use of alcohol or any other drug; or

19 (3) has been adjudicated mentally incompetent or insane by a  
20 court of competent jurisdiction and not thereafter declared competent.

21 (c) A conviction or adjudication which would disqualify an appli-  
22 cant for a permit under this section also disqualifies a permittee  
23 under this section and automatically terminates the permit.

24 (d) A permit to carry a concealed weapon is in effect for two  
25 years from the date it is issued. The fee for a permit to carry a  
26 concealed weapon is \$5.

27 (e) The Department of Public Safety shall adopt regulations  
28 prescribing the procedure and forms to carry out this section.

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