## Senate Bill No. 172-Senator Rawson

## CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to weapons; removing the limitation on the number of firearms for which a permit to carry concealed firearms may be issued; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** NRS 202.3657 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 202.3657 1. Any person may apply to the sheriff of the county in which he resides for a permit on a form prescribed by regulation of the department. Application forms for permits must be furnished by the sheriff of each county upon request.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the sheriff shall issue a permit for [no more than two] one or more specific firearms to any person who is qualified to possess [a] each firearm under state and federal law, who submits an application in accordance with the provisions of this section and who:
  - (a) Is a resident of this state;
  - (b) Is 21 years of age or older;
- (c) Is not prohibited from possessing a firearm pursuant to NRS 202.360; and
- (d) Demonstrates competence with [a] each firearm by presenting a certificate or other documentation to the sheriff which shows that he:
- (1) Successfully completed a course in firearm safety approved by a sheriff in this state; or
- (2) Successfully completed a course in firearm safety offered by a federal, state or local law enforcement agency, community college, university or national organization that certifies instructors in firearm safety.

Such a course must include instruction in the use of each firearm to which the application pertains and in the laws of this state relating to the **[proper]** use of a firearm. A sheriff may not approve a course in firearm safety pursuant to subparagraph (1) unless he determines that the course meets any standards that are established by the Nevada Sheriffs and Chiefs Association, or if the Nevada Sheriffs and Chiefs Association ceases to exist, its legal successor.

- 3. The sheriff shall deny an application or revoke a permit if he determines that the applicant or permittee:
  - (a) Has an outstanding warrant for his arrest.
  - (b) Has been judicially declared incompetent or insane.
- (c) Has been voluntarily or involuntarily admitted to a mental health facility during the immediately preceding 5 years.
- (d) Has habitually used intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance to the extent that his normal faculties are impaired. For the purposes of this paragraph, it is presumed that a person has so used intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance if, during the immediately preceding 5 years, he has been:
  - (1) Convicted of violating the provisions of NRS 484.379; or

- (2) Committed for treatment pursuant to NRS 458.290 to 458.350, inclusive.
- (e) Has been convicted of a crime involving the use or threatened use of force or violence punishable as a misdemeanor under the laws of this or any other state, or a territory or possession of the United States at any time during the immediately preceding 3 years.
- (f) Has been convicted of a felony in this state or under the laws of any state, territory or possession of the United States.
- (g) Has been convicted of a crime involving domestic violence or stalking, or is currently subject to a restraining order, injunction or other order for protection against domestic violence.
- (h) Is currently on parole or probation from a conviction obtained in this state or in any other state or territory or possession of the United States.
- (i) Has, within the immediately preceding 5 years, been subject to any requirements imposed by a court of this state or of any other state or territory or possession of the United States, as a condition to the court's:
- (1) Withholding of the entry of judgment for his conviction of a felony; or

(2) Suspension of his sentence for the conviction of a felony.

(j) Has made a false statement on any application for a permit or for the renewal of a permit.

- 4. The sheriff may deny an application or revoke a permit if he receives a sworn affidavit stating articulable facts based upon personal knowledge from any natural person who is 18 years of age or older that the applicant or permittee has or may have committed an offense or engaged in any other activity specified in subsection 3 which would preclude the issuance of a permit to the applicant or require the revocation of a permit pursuant to this section.
- 5. If the sheriff receives notification submitted by a court or law enforcement agency of this or any other state, the United States, or a territory or possession of the United States that a permittee or an applicant for a permit has been charged with a crime involving the use or threatened use of force or violence, the conviction for which would require the revocation of a permit or preclude the issuance of a permit to the applicant pursuant to this section, the sheriff shall suspend the person's permit or the processing of his application until the final disposition of the charges against him. If a permittee is acquitted of the charges against him, or if the charges are dropped, the sheriff shall restore his permit without imposing a fee.
- 6. An application submitted pursuant to this section must be completed and signed under oath by the applicant. The applicant's signature must be witnessed by an employee of the sheriff or notarized by a notary public. The application must include:
- (a) The name, address, place and date of birth, social security number, occupation and employer of the applicant, and any other names used by the applicant;
- (b) A complete set of the applicant's fingerprints taken by the sheriff or his agent;
- (c) A front-view colored photograph of the applicant taken by the sheriff or his agent;

- (d) The applicant's driver's license number or identification card number issued by the department;
- (e) The make, model and caliber of each firearm to which the application pertains;
- (f) A nonrefundable fee in the amount necessary to obtain the report required pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 202.366; and
  - (g) A nonrefundable fee set by the sheriff not to exceed \$60.
- **Sec. 2.** NRS 202.366 is hereby amended to read as follows: 202.366 1. Upon receipt by a sheriff of an application for a permit, the sheriff shall conduct an investigation of the applicant to determine if he is eligible for a permit. In conducting the investigation, the sheriff shall forward a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints to the central repository for Nevada records of criminal history and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a report concerning the criminal history of the applicant. The sheriff shall issue a permit to the applicant unless he is not qualified to possess a handgun pursuant to state or federal law or is not otherwise qualified to obtain a permit pursuant to NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, or the regulations adopted pursuant thereto.
- 2. To assist the sheriff in conducting his investigation, any local law enforcement agency, including the sheriff of any county, may voluntarily submit to the sheriff a report or other information concerning the criminal history of an applicant.
- 3. Within 120 days after a complete application for a permit is submitted, the sheriff to whom the application is submitted shall grant or deny the application. If the application is denied, the sheriff shall send the applicant written notification setting forth the reasons for the denial. If the application is granted, the sheriff shall provide the applicant with a permit containing a colored photograph of the applicant and containing such other information as may be prescribed by the department. The permit must be in substantially the following form:

## NEVADA CONCEALED FIREARM PERMIT

County Expires Height Name	Permit Number
City	Zip Photograph
Signature	₽} each authorized firearm

4. Unless suspended or revoked by the sheriff who issued the permit, a permit expires on the fifth anniversary of the permittee's birthday, measured from the birthday nearest the date of issuance or renewal. If the date of birth of a permittee is on February 29 in a leap year, for the

- purposes of NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, his date of birth shall be deemed to be on February 28.

  Sec. 3. A person who has a permit to carry a concealed firearm in this state that was issued before July 1, 2002, and who wishes to carry any firearm that is not listed on his current permit must:
- 1. Obtain a new permit from the sheriff; and
  2. Pay to the sheriff the fee prescribed for obtaining a duplicate permit pursuant to NRS 202.367, unless he is renewing his permit pursuant to NRS 202.3677, in which case he must pay the fee prescribed for renewal of a permit pursuant to NRS 202.3677.

  Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2002.