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1 ~~{Concealed Firearm Carry Access}~~ Firearm Storage for
 Concealed Permit Holders on Publicly Supported Entities

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Candice B. Pierucci

Senate Sponsor:

2 **LONG TITLE**

3 **General Description:**

4 This bill addresses requirements regarding handgun storage on certain property open to the {ability
5 of a private entity} public owned by entities that receive public funds {to regulate the carrying of
6 concealed firearms on property owned, leased, or operated by the entity} .

7 **Highlighted Provisions:**

8 This bill:

9 ▶ {prohibits} requires a private entity that receives {a certain amount} public funds, in certain
10 circumstances, to provide for the storage of {public funds from restricting a} handguns of individuals
11 with concealed carry {permit holder from carrying a concealed firearm} permits on property {owned,
12 leased, or operated by} open to the {entity in certain circumstances} public;

13 ▶ allows a private entity receiving public funds to use the online verification system already
14 established by the Bureau of Criminal Identification for private sales of firearms to validate concealed
15 carry permits; and

16 ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

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Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

53-5a-603 , as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 208

ENACTS:

53-5a-103.6 , Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section 1 is enacted to read:

53-5a-103.6. {~~Limitations on concealed carry restrictions~~} Storage of handguns by entities that receive public funds.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Concealed carry permit" means:

(i) a concealed carry permit issued under Section 53-5a-303;

(ii) a provisional concealed carry permit issued under Section 53-5a-304;

(iii) a temporary concealed carry permit issued under Section 53-5a-305; or

(iv) a concealed carry permit lawfully issued by or in another state.

(b)

(i) "Entity that receives public funds" means any private organization, business, or venue that receives \$1,000,000 or more in public funds through an appropriation, grant, contract, or other authorized expenditure.

(ii) "Entity that receives public funds" does not include a private organization, business, or venue that receives public funds under a contract with the state or a political subdivision of the state to provide a direct service that is performed for the benefit of the state or political subdivision of the state in exchange for payment.

(c) "Public funds" means money that is provided by the state or a political subdivision of the state.

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(a) ~~{ Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), an }~~ An entity that receives public funds ~~{ may }~~ shall comply with the requirements of Subsection (2)(b) if the entity does not { prohibit an individual who has a valid concealed carry permit from carrying a concealed firearm in a concealed manner } allow individuals to carry firearms on property that ~~{ is }~~ :

(i) is owned, leased, or operated by the entity ~~{ ; and }~~ :

(A) within the jurisdictional boundaries of the district created under Title 11, Chapter 70, Utah Fairpark Area Investment and Restoration District;

(B) that is included in a zone created under Title 63N, Chapter 3, Part 6, Housing and Transit Reinvestment Zone Act; or

(C) that is included in a zone created under Title 63N, Chapter 3, Part 14, Capital City Revitalization Zone; and

(ii) is open to the public, regardless of whether an admission fee is charged or a ticket is required for entry.

(b) An entity described in Subsection (2)(a):

(i) shall provide a secure storage area for an individual to store the individual's handgun while the individual is on the property if the individual has a concealed carry permit;

(ii) is responsible for the handguns while the handguns are stored in the secure storage area; and

(iii) may not charge a fee to store the handguns in the secure storage area.

~~(b){ (c) }~~ An entity that receives public funds may ~~{ prohibit an individual who has a valid concealed carry permit from carrying }~~ locate the secure storage area described in Subsection (2)(b) at a { firearm on } nearby location to the property described in Subsection (2)(a) if ~~{ : }~~ the property cannot accommodate a secure storage area.

~~{ (i) { specifically authorized by the Legislature by statute; } }~~

~~{ (ii) { a federal law or regulation prohibits carrying a firearm on the property; or } }~~

~~{ (iii) { carrying a firearm is prohibited on the property due to a requirement imposed as a condition of the entity receiving federal funds. } }~~

(3)

(a) If an individual stores a handgun with an entity that receives public funds under Subsection (2)(b) (i) and does not return within 24 hours from the time the individual stored the handgun with the entity, the entity shall notify the local law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the property and request that the local law enforcement agency take possession of the handgun.

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- 72 (b) A local law enforcement agency that receives a request under Subsection (3)(a):
73 (i) shall take possession of the handgun described in Subsection (3)(a) within five business days from
the day on which the law enforcement agency receives the request; and
76 (ii) may dispose of the handgun in accordance with Section 77-11d-105.
77 (4)
- 59 (3){ (a) } An entity that receives public funds may establish a process to verify that an individual who
seeks to { ~~carry~~ } store a { ~~concealed firearm on property that is owned, leased, or operated by the~~
~~entity has~~ } handgun in accordance with Subsection (2) holds a valid concealed carry permit{ ~~-~~ }
which may include:
- 62 (a){ (i) } reviewing the individual's concealed carry permit; and
63 (b){ (ii) } if the concealed carry permit is a permit issued under Section 53-5a-303, 53-5a-304, or
53-5a-305, entering the concealed carry permit number into the online verification system created
by the bureau under Subsection 53-5a-603(2)(a).
- 66 (4){ (b) } After completing a verification of a concealed carry permit under Subsection { ~~(3)~~ } (4)(a), an
entity that receives public funds may not retain any information obtained under Subsection { ~~(3)~~ }
(4)(a) except as necessary to comply with an applicable court order.
- 69 { ~~(5)~~ } { ~~{ This section does not, unless otherwise prohibited by law, prevent an entity that receives public~~
~~funds from prohibiting an individual without a concealed carry permit from carrying a firearm on~~
~~property that is owned, leased, or operated by the entity.}~~ }
- 87 Section 2. Section **53-5a-603** is amended to read:
- 88 **53-5a-603. Information check before private sale of firearm -- Validation of concealed carry**
permit.
- 75 (1) As used in this section:
- 76 (a) "Governmental entity" means the state and the state's political subdivisions.
77 (b) "Law enforcement agency" means the same as that term is defined in Section 53-1-102.
79 (c) "Personally identifiable information" means the same as that term is defined in Section 63D-2-102.
- 81 (2) Subject to Subsections (3) and (4), the bureau shall create an online process that allows an
individual who is selling or purchasing a firearm to voluntarily determine:
- 83 (a) if the other individual involved in the sale of the firearm has a valid concealed carry permit issued
under Section 53-5a-303, a provisional concealed carry permit issued under Section 53-5a-304, or a
temporary concealed carry permit issued under Section 53-5a-305; or

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- 87 (b) based on the serial number of the firearm, if the firearm is reported as stolen.
88 (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to a federal firearms licensee or dealer.
89 (4) The bureau may not:
90 (a) provide information related to a request under Subsection (2) to a law enforcement agency; or
92 (b) collect a user's personally identifiable information under Subsection (2).
93 (5) A governmental entity may not require an individual who is selling or purchasing a firearm to use
the process under Subsection (2).
95 (6) If an individual uses the process under Subsection (2), the individual is not required, based on the
information the individual receives from the bureau, to make a report to a law enforcement agency.
98 (7) After responding to a request under Subsection (2), the bureau shall immediately dispose of all
information related to the request.
100 (8)
(a) This section does not create a civil cause of action arising from the sale or purchase of a firearm
under this section.
102 (b) An individual's failure to use the process under Subsection (2) is not evidence of the individual's
negligence in a civil cause of action.
104 (9) An entity receiving public funds may use the process described in Subsection (2)(a) to validate a
concealed carry permit as described in Subsection {~~53-5a-103.6(3)~~ 53-5a-103.6(4).

Section 3. **Effective date.**

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This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.

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