

CHAPTER 2021-200

Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 259

An act relating to the safety of religious institutions; amending s. 790.06, F.S.; authorizing, for specified purposes, a concealed weapons or firearms licensee to carry a concealed weapon or firearm on certain property of a church, synagogue, or other religious institution; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsections (13) through (17) of section 790.06, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (14) through (18), respectively, and a new subsection (13) is added to that section to read:

790.06 License to carry concealed weapon or firearm.—

(13) Notwithstanding any other law, for the purposes of safety, security, personal protection, or any other lawful purpose, a person licensed under this section may carry a concealed weapon or firearm on property owned, rented, leased, borrowed, or lawfully used by a church, synagogue, or other religious institution. This subsection does not limit the private property rights of a church, synagogue, or other religious institution to exercise control over property that the church, synagogue, or other religious institution owns, rents, leases, borrows, or lawfully uses.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 29, 2021.

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