

House Bill 55

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 16-11-127.1, relating to carrying a weapon within a school safety
2 zone, at school functions, or on school property, so as to repeal a prohibition against carrying
3 a weapon at postsecondary facilities; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws;
4 and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

7 Code Section 16-11-127..1, relating to carrying a weapon within a school safety zone, at
8 school functions, or on school property, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection
9 (a) as follows:

10 "(1) 'School safety zone' means in or on any real property owned by or leased to any
11 public or private elementary school, secondary school, or school board and used for
12 elementary or secondary education ~~and in or on the campus of any public or private~~
13 ~~technical school, vocational school, college, university, or institution of postsecondary~~
14 ~~education."~~

15 SECTION 2.

16 Said Code section is further amended by revising subsection (f) as follows:

17 "(f) In a prosecution under this Code section, a map produced or reproduced by any
18 municipal or county agency or department for the purpose of depicting the location and
19 boundaries of the area of the real property of a school board or a private or public
20 elementary or secondary school that is used for school purposes ~~or the area of any campus~~
21 ~~of any public or private technical school, vocational school, college, university, or~~
22 ~~institution of postsecondary education~~, or a true copy of the map, shall, if certified as a true
23 copy by the custodian of the record, be admissible and shall constitute prima-facie evidence
24 of the location and boundaries of the area, if the governing body of the municipality or
25 county has approved the map as an official record of the location and boundaries of the

26 area. A map approved under this Code section may be revised from time to time by the
27 governing body of the municipality or county. The original of every map approved or
28 revised under this subsection or a true copy of such original map shall be filed with the
29 municipality or county and shall be maintained as an official record of the municipality or
30 county. This subsection shall not preclude the prosecution from introducing or relying
31 upon any other evidence or testimony to establish any element of this offense. This
32 subsection shall not preclude the use or admissibility of a map or diagram other than the
33 one which has been approved by the municipality or county."

34 **SECTION 3.**

35 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
36 without such approval.

37 **SECTION 4.**

38 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.