
SENATE BILL 6860

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By Senators Roach, Delvin, and Stevens

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1 AN ACT Relating to prohibiting institutions of higher education
2 from adopting rules concerning the possession of firearms; and amending
3 RCW 9.41.290.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.41.290 and 1994 sp.s. c 7 s 428 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) The state of Washington hereby fully occupies and preempts the
8 entire field of firearms regulation within the boundaries of the state,
9 including the registration, licensing, possession, purchase, sale,
10 acquisition, transfer, discharge, and transportation of firearms, or
11 any other element relating to firearms or parts thereof, including
12 ammunition and reloader components. Cities, towns, and counties or
13 other municipalities may enact only those laws and ordinances relating
14 to firearms that are specifically authorized by state law, as in RCW
15 9.41.300, and are consistent with this chapter. Such local ordinances
16 shall have the same penalty as provided for by state law. Local laws
17 and ordinances that are inconsistent with, more restrictive than, or
18 exceed the requirements of state law shall not be enacted and are

1 preempted and repealed, regardless of the nature of the code, charter,
2 or home rule status of such city, town, county, or municipality.

3 (2) Institutions of higher education, as defined in RCW
4 28B.10.016(4), shall not adopt any rules restricting or prohibiting the
5 possession of firearms in any institutionally owned or controlled
6 lands, buildings, or facilities by any person licensed to carry a
7 concealed pistol.

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