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1 AN ACT Relating to the exemption from restrictions on carrying  
2 firearms for correctional employees who have completed government-  
3 sponsored law enforcement firearms training; and amending RCW  
4 9.41.060.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.41.060 and 2011 c 221 s 1 are each amended to read  
7 as follows:

8 The provisions of RCW 9.41.050 shall not apply to:

9 (1) Marshals, sheriffs, prison or jail wardens or their deputies,  
10 correctional personnel and community corrections officers as long as  
11 they are employed as such who have completed government-sponsored law  
12 enforcement firearms training and have been subject to a ((check  
13 through the national instant criminal background check system or an  
14 equivalent)) background check within the past five years, or other  
15 law enforcement officers of this state or another state((-  
16 Correctional personnel and community corrections officers seeking the  
17 waiver provided for by this section are required to pay for any  
18 background check that is needed in order to exercise the waiver));

19 (2) Members of the armed forces of the United States or of the  
20 national guard or organized reserves, when on duty;

1           (3) Officers or employees of the United States duly authorized to  
2 carry a concealed pistol;

3           (4) Any person engaged in the business of manufacturing,  
4 repairing, or dealing in firearms, or the agent or representative of  
5 the person, if possessing, using, or carrying a pistol in the usual  
6 or ordinary course of the business;

7           (5) Regularly enrolled members of any organization duly  
8 authorized to purchase or receive pistols from the United States or  
9 from this state;

10          (6) Regularly enrolled members of clubs organized for the purpose  
11 of target shooting, when those members are at or are going to or from  
12 their places of target practice;

13          (7) Regularly enrolled members of clubs organized for the purpose  
14 of modern and antique firearm collecting, when those members are at  
15 or are going to or from their collector's gun shows and exhibits;

16          (8) Any person engaging in a lawful outdoor recreational activity  
17 such as hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, or horseback riding, only  
18 if, considering all of the attendant circumstances, including but not  
19 limited to whether the person has a valid hunting or fishing license,  
20 it is reasonable to conclude that the person is participating in  
21 lawful outdoor activities or is traveling to or from a legitimate  
22 outdoor recreation area;

23          (9) Any person while carrying a pistol unloaded and in a closed  
24 opaque case or secure wrapper; or

25          (10) Law enforcement officers retired for service or physical  
26 disabilities, except for those law enforcement officers retired  
27 because of mental or stress-related disabilities. This subsection  
28 applies only to a retired officer who has: (a) Obtained documentation  
29 from a law enforcement agency within Washington state from which he  
30 or she retired that is signed by the agency's chief law enforcement  
31 officer and that states that the retired officer was retired for  
32 service or physical disability; and (b) not been convicted or found  
33 not guilty by reason of insanity of a crime making him or her  
34 ineligible for a concealed pistol license.

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