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A BILL FOR

1 An Act prohibiting the carrying, transportation, or possession
2 of firearms in the capitol building and on capitol grounds,
3 and making penalties applicable.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 8A.322, subsection 3, Code 2021, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. The director shall establish, publish, and enforce
4 rules regulating and restricting the use by the public of the
5 capitol buildings and grounds and of the state laboratories
6 facility in Ankeny. The rules when established shall be posted
7 in conspicuous places about the capitol buildings and grounds
8 and the state laboratories facility, as applicable. Any
9 person violating any rule, except a parking regulation, shall
10 be guilty of a simple misdemeanor. The rules shall prohibit
11 a person, other than a peace officer, from openly carrying,
12 transporting, or possessing a pistol or revolver firearm of any
13 kind, whether concealed or not, in the capitol building and on
14 the grounds surrounding the capitol building including state
15 parking lots and parking garages. ~~However, this subsection~~
16 ~~shall not be construed to allow the director to prohibit the~~
17 ~~lawful carrying, transportation, or possession of any pistol or~~
18 ~~revolver in the capitol building and on the grounds surrounding~~
19 ~~the capitol building including state parking lots and parking~~
20 ~~garages by a person who displays to capitol security personnel~~
21 ~~a valid permit to carry weapons upon request.~~

22 EXPLANATION

23 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
24 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

25 Under current law, Code section 8A.322(3) provides that the
26 director of administrative services shall establish, publish,
27 and enforce rules regulating and restricting the use by the
28 public of the capitol buildings and capitol grounds, and shall
29 prohibit a person, other than a peace officer, from openly
30 carrying a pistol or revolver in the capitol building and on
31 the grounds surrounding the capitol building including state
32 parking lots and parking garages. However, the director shall
33 not prohibit the lawful carrying, transportation, or possession
34 of any pistol or revolver in the capitol building and on
35 capitol grounds by a person who possess a valid permit to carry

1 weapons.

2 This bill amends Code section 8A.322(3) to provide that the
3 director shall establish rules prohibiting a person, other than
4 a peace officer, from carrying, transporting, or possessing a
5 firearm of any kind, whether concealed or not, in the capitol
6 building and on capitol grounds.

7 A person who violates a rule created by the director pursuant
8 to Code section 8A.322(3) is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.

9 A simple misdemeanor is punishable by confinement for no more
10 than 30 days or a fine of at least \$105 but not more than \$855
11 or by both.