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HOUSE FILE 530
BY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 166)

(As Amended and Passed by the House March 12, 2025)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act authorizing a member of the general assembly, judicial
2 officer, attorney general, deputy attorney general, or an
3 assistant attorney general to be issued a professional permit
4 to carry weapons.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 724.6, subsection 1, paragraph a,
2 subparagraph (1), Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) A person may be issued a permit to carry weapons when
4 the person's employment in a private investigation business
5 or private security business licensed under chapter 80A, or
6 a person's employment as a member of the general assembly,
7 peace officer, correctional officer, judicial officer, county
8 attorney, assistant county attorney, attorney general, deputy
9 attorney general, assistant attorney general, security guard,
10 bank messenger or other person transporting property of a value
11 requiring security, or in police work, reasonably justifies that
12 person going armed.

13 Sec. 2. Section 724.6, subsection 1, paragraph a,
14 subparagraph (4), Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

15 (4) A person may be issued a permit to carry weapons if the
16 person is a member of the general assembly, judicial officer,
17 county attorney, ~~or an~~ assistant county attorney, attorney
18 general, deputy attorney general, or an assistant attorney
19 general. An application for a permit by an assistant county
20 attorney must be approved by the county attorney of each county
21 in which the applicant serves prior to a permit to carry weapons
22 being issued. An application for a permit by a member of
23 the general assembly, attorney general, deputy attorney general,
24 or an assistant attorney general shall be delivered to the
25 sheriff for the county in which the applicant resides. The
26 sheriff of the issuing county may require the applicant to
27 complete a proficiency examination prior to issuing the permit
28 to carry weapons. The standards for a proficiency examination
29 for a member of the general assembly, judicial officer, county
30 attorney, ~~or~~ assistant county attorney, attorney general, deputy
31 attorney general, or an assistant attorney general shall not
32 exceed the standards required of a peace officer. The applicant
33 shall pay the reasonable costs associated with completing a
34 proficiency examination.

35 Sec. 3. Section 724.6, subsection 1, paragraphs b, c, and d,

1 Code 2025, are amended to read as follows:

2 b. The permit shall be on a form prescribed and published by
3 the commissioner of public safety, shall identify the holder, and
4 shall state the nature of the employment requiring the holder
5 to go armed. A permit so issued, other than to a member of
6 the general assembly, peace officer, judicial officer, county
7 attorney, ~~or~~ assistant county attorney, attorney general, deputy
8 attorney general, or assistant attorney general, shall authorize
9 the person to whom it is issued to go armed anywhere in the
10 state, only while engaged in the employment, and while going to
11 and from the place of the employment.

12 c. A permit issued to a member of the general assembly,
13 certified peace officer, judicial officer, county attorney, ~~or~~
14 assistant county attorney, attorney general, deputy attorney
15 general, or assistant attorney general shall authorize that
16 member of the general assembly, peace officer, judicial officer,
17 county attorney, ~~or~~ assistant county attorney, attorney general,
18 deputy attorney general, or assistant attorney general to go
19 armed anywhere in the state at all times, including on the
20 grounds of a school.

21 d. Permits shall expire twelve months after the date when
22 issued except that permits issued to members of the general
23 assembly, peace officers, judicial officers, county attorneys,
24 assistant county attorneys, the attorney general, deputy
25 attorneys general, assistant attorneys general, and correctional
26 officers are valid through the holder of the permit's period
27 of employment unless otherwise canceled. When the employment
28 is terminated, the holder of the permit shall surrender ~~it~~ the
29 permit to the issuing officer for cancellation.

30 Sec. 4. Section 724.6, subsection 1, Code 2025, is amended by
31 adding the following new paragraph:

32 NEW PARAGRAPH. e. Notwithstanding any other provision in
33 this section, a person issued a permit to carry weapons under
34 this section may carry weapons only in a concealed manner when
35 inside a courtroom. This paragraph does not apply to peace

1 officers or correctional officers when fulfilling their duties of
2 employment.

3 Sec. 5. Section 724.6, subsection 3, Code 2025, is amended to
4 read as follows:

5 3. For purposes of this section, ~~"emergency medical care~~
6 provider":

7 a. "Emergency medical care provider" means the same as
8 defined in section 147A.1.

9 b. "Judicial officer" means the same as defined in section
10 602.1101.

11 Sec. 6. Section 724.6, Code 2025, is amended by adding the
12 following new subsection:

13 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. The supreme court may by rule impose
14 additional training or other requirements on judicial officers
15 who hold a permit issued under this section.

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