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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF FIREARMS AND THE LICENSING OF BAIL ENFORCEMENT AGENTS, PROFESSIONAL BONDSMEN AND SURETY BAIL BOND AGENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 29-37g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

3 (a) For the purposes of this section, (1) "gun show" means any event  
4 (A) at which fifty or more firearms are offered or exhibited for sale,  
5 transfer or exchange to the public and (B) at which two or more  
6 persons are exhibiting one or more firearms for sale, transfer or  
7 exchange to the public; and (2) "gun show promoter" means any  
8 person who organizes, plans, promotes or operates a gun show.

9 (b) Not later than thirty days before commencement of a gun show,  
10 the gun show promoter shall notify the Commissioner of Public Safety  
11 and the chief of police of the town in which the gun show is to take  
12 place, or, where there is no chief of police, the warden of the borough  
13 or the first selectman of the town in which the gun show is to take  
14 place of the date, time, duration and location of the gun show.

15 (c) No person, firm or corporation shall sell, deliver or otherwise  
16 transfer a firearm at a gun show until such person, firm or corporation  
17 has complied with the provisions of section 29-36l.

18 Sec. 2. Section 29-152m of the general statutes is repealed and the  
19 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

20 (a) No professional bondsman licensed under chapter 533, surety  
21 bail bond agent licensed under chapter 700f or bail enforcement agent  
22 licensed under sections 29-152f to 29-152i, inclusive, shall carry a  
23 pistol, revolver or other firearm while engaging in the business of a  
24 professional bondsman, surety bail bond agent or bail enforcement  
25 agent, as the case may be, or while traveling to or from such business  
26 unless such bondsman or agent obtains a special permit from the  
27 Commissioner of Public Safety in accordance with the provisions of  
28 subsection (b) of this section. The permit required under this section  
29 shall be in addition to the permit requirement imposed under section  
30 29-28.

31 (b) The Commissioner of Public Safety may grant to any  
32 professional bondsman licensed under chapter 533, surety bail bond  
33 agent licensed under chapter 700f or bail enforcement agent licensed  
34 under sections 29-152f to 29-152i, inclusive, a permit to carry a pistol or  
35 revolver or other firearm while engaging in the business of  
36 professional bondsman, surety bail bond agent or bail enforcement  
37 agent, as the case may be, or while traveling to or from such business,  
38 provided that such bondsman or agent has proven to the satisfaction of  
39 the commissioner that such bondsman or agent has successfully  
40 completed a course, approved by the commissioner, of training in the  
41 safety and use of firearms. [The commissioner shall adopt regulations  
42 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 concerning the  
43 approval of schools, institutions or organizations offering such  
44 courses, requirements for instructors and the required number of  
45 hours and content of such courses.]

46 (c) Application for a permit issued pursuant to this section shall be

47 made on forms provided by the commissioner and shall be  
48 accompanied by a thirty-one-dollar fee. Such permit shall have an  
49 expiration date that coincides with that of the state permit to carry a  
50 pistol or revolver issued pursuant to section 29-28. A permit issued  
51 pursuant to this section shall be renewable every five years with a  
52 renewal fee of thirty-one dollars. Each such bondsman or agent shall  
53 successfully complete a firearms safety refresher course approved by  
54 the commissioner each year as a condition of such renewal.

55 (d) The commissioner shall send, by first class mail, a notice of  
56 expiration of the bail enforcement agent firearms permit issued  
57 pursuant to this section, together with a notice of expiration of the  
58 permit to carry a pistol or revolver issued pursuant to section 29-28, in  
59 one combined form. The commissioner shall send such combined  
60 notice to the holder of the permits not later than ninety days before the  
61 date of the expiration of both permits, and shall enclose a form for  
62 renewal of the permits. A bail enforcement agent firearms permit  
63 issued pursuant to this section shall be valid for a period of ninety  
64 days after the expiration date, except this provision shall not apply if  
65 the permit to carry a pistol or revolver has been revoked or revocation  
66 is pending pursuant to section 29-32, in which case the bail  
67 enforcement agent firearms permit shall also be revoked.

68 (e) The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the  
69 provisions of chapter 54 concerning the approval of schools,  
70 institutions or organizations offering such courses, requirements for  
71 instructors and the required number of hours and content of such  
72 courses.

73 Sec. 3. Section 53-206c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
74 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

75 (a) For the purposes of this section:

76 (1) "Facsimile of a firearm" means (A) any nonfunctional imitation of  
77 an original firearm which was manufactured, designed and produced

78 since 1898, or (B) any nonfunctional representation of a firearm other  
79 than an imitation of an original firearm, provided such representation  
80 could reasonably be perceived to be a real firearm. Such term does not  
81 include any look-a-like, nonfiring, collector replica of an antique  
82 firearm developed prior to 1898, or traditional BB. or pellet-firing air  
83 gun that expels a metallic or paint-contained projectile through the  
84 force of air pressure.

85 (2) "Firearm" means firearm as defined in section 53a-3.

86 (b) No person shall give, offer for sale or sell any facsimile of a  
87 firearm. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any  
88 facsimile of a firearm, which, because of its distinct color, exaggerated  
89 size or other design feature, cannot reasonably be perceived to be a  
90 real firearm.

91 (c) Except in self defense, no person shall carry, draw, exhibit or  
92 brandish a facsimile of a firearm or simulate a firearm in a threatening  
93 manner, with intent to frighten, vex or harass another person.

94 (d) No person shall draw, exhibit or brandish a facsimile of a  
95 firearm or simulate a firearm in the presence of a peace officer,  
96 firefighter, emergency medical technician or paramedic engaged in the  
97 performance of his duties knowing or having reason to know that such  
98 peace officer, firefighter, emergency medical technician or paramedic  
99 is engaged in the performance of his duties, with intent to impede such  
100 person in the performance of such duties.

101 (e) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person  
102 participating in a state-certified qualified production, as defined in  
103 section 12-217jj.

104 [(e)] (f) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall  
105 be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

106 Sec. 4. Section 53-206d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
107 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

108 (a) (1) No person shall carry a pistol, revolver, machine gun,  
109 shotgun, rifle or other firearm, which is loaded and from which a shot  
110 may be discharged, upon his person (A) while under the influence of  
111 intoxicating liquor or any drug, or both, or (B) while the ratio of  
112 alcohol in the blood of such person is [ten-hundredths] eight-  
113 hundredths of one per cent or more of alcohol, by weight.

114 (2) Any person who violates any provision of this subsection shall  
115 be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

116 (b) (1) No person shall engage in hunting while under the influence  
117 of intoxicating liquor or any drug, or both, or while impaired by the  
118 consumption of intoxicating liquor. A person shall be deemed under  
119 the influence when at the time of the alleged offense the person (A) is  
120 under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, or both, or (B)  
121 has an elevated blood alcohol content. For the purposes of this  
122 subdivision, "elevated blood alcohol content" means (i) a ratio of  
123 alcohol in the blood of such person that is [ten-hundredths] eight-  
124 hundredths of one per cent or more of alcohol, by weight, or (ii) if such  
125 person has been convicted of a violation of this subsection, a ratio of  
126 alcohol in the blood of such person that is seven-hundredths of one per  
127 cent or more of alcohol, by weight. A person shall be deemed impaired  
128 when at the time of the alleged offense the ratio of alcohol in the blood  
129 of such person was more than seven-hundredths of one per cent of  
130 alcohol, by weight, but less than [ten-hundredths] eight-hundredths of  
131 one per cent of alcohol, by weight.

132 (2) Any person who violates any provision of this subsection shall  
133 be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

134 (3) Enforcement officers of the Department of Environmental  
135 Protection are empowered to arrest for a violation of the provisions of  
136 this subsection.

137 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) (a) (1) On and after October  
138 1, 2009, no person may be an instructor for the course in the criminal

139 justice system required pursuant to section 29-152f of the general  
140 statutes or the course in the safety and use of firearms required  
141 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 29-152m of the general statutes, as  
142 amended by this act, without the approval of the commissioner.  
143 Application for such approval shall be submitted on a form prescribed  
144 by the commissioner. Such application shall be made under oath and  
145 shall contain the following: (A) The applicant's name, address, and  
146 date and place of birth; (B) the applicant's employment for the five  
147 years prior to the date of application; (C) the applicant's education or  
148 training in the subject matter of the courses required by section 29-  
149 152f of the general statutes or subsection (b) of section 29-152m of the  
150 general statutes, as amended by this act, as applicable; (D) any  
151 convictions for violations of the law; and (E) such other information as  
152 the commissioner may require by any regulation adopted pursuant to  
153 this section to investigate the character, competency and integrity of  
154 the applicant.

155 (2) No person shall be approved as an instructor who (A) has been  
156 convicted of a felony or any misdemeanor pursuant to section 21a-279,  
157 53a-58, 53a-61, 53a-61a, 53a-62, 53a-63, 53a-96, 53a-173, 53a-175, 53a-  
158 176, 53a-178 or 53a-181d, (B) has been denied a license as a professional  
159 bondsman, surety bail bond agent or bail enforcement agent, or (C) has  
160 had said license revoked or suspended.

161 (3) If a course conducted by an instructor pursuant to section 29-  
162 152f of the general statutes or subsection (b) of section 29-152m of the  
163 general statutes, as amended by this act, is approved by the  
164 commissioner on or before September 30, 2009, the instructor of such  
165 course shall have until April 1, 2010, to apply for approval as an  
166 instructor in accordance with subdivision (1) of this subsection.

167 (b) Upon being satisfied, after investigation, that the applicant is a  
168 suitable person to receive approval as an instructor and that the  
169 applicant satisfies the requirements of subsection (a) of this section, the  
170 Commissioner of Public Safety may issue an approval to such

171 applicant to do business in this state as an approved instructor. The fee  
172 for such approval shall be twenty dollars. The term for such approval  
173 shall not exceed two years. Not later than two business days after any  
174 change of address, any person approved as an instructor under this  
175 section shall notify the commissioner of such change and such  
176 notification shall include both the old and new addresses.

177 (c) Each person approved as an instructor under this section may  
178 apply for renewal of such approval on a form provided by the  
179 Commissioner of Public Safety that provides for the disclosure of such  
180 information as said commissioner requires to determine whether such  
181 instructor's suitability to continue as an instructor has changed since  
182 the issuance of the prior approval. The fee for such renewal shall be  
183 twenty dollars.

184 (d) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance with  
185 the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the  
186 provisions of this section.

187 (e) Any person that violates any provision of this section shall be  
188 fined seventy-five dollars for each offense. Each distinct violation of  
189 this section shall be a separate offense and, in the case of a continuing  
190 violation, each day thereof shall be deemed a separate offense.

191 Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) The Commissioner of Public  
192 Safety may suspend, revoke or refuse to renew the approval of any  
193 instructor pursuant to section 5 of this act, provided notice shall have  
194 been given to the instructor to appear before the commissioner to show  
195 cause why the approval should not be suspended, revoked or refused  
196 renewal, upon a finding by the commissioner that the instructor: (1)  
197 Has violated any of the terms or provisions of section 5 of this act; (2)  
198 has practiced fraud, deceit or misrepresentation; (3) has made a  
199 material misstatement in the application for issuance or renewal of  
200 such approval; (4) has demonstrated incompetence or  
201 untrustworthiness in the conduct of the instructor's courses; (5) has  
202 been convicted of a felony, a misdemeanor specified in section 29-152f

203 of the general statutes, or other crime affecting the instructor's honesty,  
204 integrity or moral fitness; or (6) is unsuitable. Any party aggrieved by  
205 an order of the commissioner under this section may appeal therefrom  
206 in accordance with the provisions of section 4-183 of the general  
207 statutes, except venue for such appeal shall be in the judicial district of  
208 Hartford.

209 Sec. 7. Subsection (b) of section 51-164n of the general statutes is  
210 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
211 *October 1, 2009*):

212 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any  
213 person who is alleged to have committed (1) a violation under the  
214 provisions of section 1-9, 1-10, 1-11, 4b-13, 7-13, 7-14, 7-35, 7-41, 7-83, 7-  
215 283, 7-325, 7-393, 8-25, 8-27, 9-63, 9-296, 9-305, 9-322, 9-350, 10-193, 10-  
216 197, 10-198, 10-230, 10-251, 10-254, 12-52, 12-170aa, 12-292, or 12-326g,  
217 subdivision (4) of section 12-408, subdivision (3), (5) or (6) of section  
218 12-411, section 12-435c, 12-476a, 12-476b, 12-487, 13a-71, 13a-107, 13a-  
219 113, 13a-114, 13a-115, 13a-117b, 13a-123, 13a-124, 13a-139, 13a-140, 13a-  
220 143b, 13a-247 or 13a-253, subsection (f) of section 13b-42, section 13b-  
221 90, 13b-221, 13b-292, 13b-336, 13b-337, 13b-338, 13b-410a, 13b-410b or  
222 13b-410c, subsection (a), (b) or (c) of section 13b-412, section 13b-414,  
223 subsection (d) of section 14-12, section 14-20a or 14-27a, subsection (e)  
224 of section 14-34a, subsection (d) of section 14-35, section 14-43, 14-49,  
225 14-50a or 14-58, subsection (b) of section 14-66, section 14-66a, 14-66b  
226 or 14-67a, subsection (g) of section 14-80, subsection (f) of section 14-  
227 80h, section 14-97a, 14-100b, 14-103a, 14-106a, 14-106c, 14-146, 14-152,  
228 14-153 or 14-163b, a first violation as specified in subsection (f) of  
229 section 14-164i, section 14-219 as specified in subsection (e) of said  
230 section, subdivision (1) of section 14-223a, section 14-240, 14-249, 14-  
231 250 or 14-253a, subsection (a) of section 14-261a, section 14-262, 14-264,  
232 14-267a, 14-269, 14-270, 14-275a, 14-278 or 14-279, subsection (e) of  
233 section 14-283, section 14-291, 14-293b, 14-296aa, 14-319, 14-320, 14-321,  
234 14-325a, 14-326, 14-330 or 14-332a, subdivision (1), (2) or (3) of section  
235 14-386a, section 15-33, subsection (a) of section 15-115, section 16-256,

236 16-256e, 16a-15 or 16a-22, subsection (a) or (b) of section 16a-22h,  
237 section 17a-24, 17a-145, 17a-149, 17a-152, 17a-465, 17a-642, 17b-124,  
238 17b-131, 17b-137 or 17b-734, subsection (b) of section 17b-736, section  
239 19a-30, 19a-33, 19a-39 or 19a-87, subsection (b) of section 19a-87a,  
240 section 19a-91, 19a-105, 19a-107, 19a-215, 19a-219, 19a-222, 19a-224,  
241 19a-286, 19a-287, 19a-297, 19a-301, 19a-309, 19a-335, 19a-336, 19a-338,  
242 19a-339, 19a-340, 19a-425, 19a-502, 20-7a, 20-14, 20-158, 20-231, 20-257,  
243 20-265 or 20-324e, subsection (a) of section 20-341, section 20-341l, 20-  
244 597, 20-608, 20-610, 21-30, 21-38, 21-39, 21-43, 21-47, 21-48, 21-63, 21-  
245 76a, 21a-21, 21a-25, 21a-26 or 21a-30, subsection (a) of section 21a-37,  
246 section 21a-46, 21a-61, 21a-63 or 21a-77, subsection (b) of section 21a-  
247 79, section 21a-85, 21a-154, 21a-159, 22-13, 22-14, 22-15, 22-16, 22-29, 22-  
248 34, 22-35, 22-36, 22-38, 22-39, 22-39a, 22-39b, 22-39c, 22-39d, 22-39e, 22-  
249 49, 22-54, 22-61, 22-89, 22-90, 22-98, 22-99, 22-100, 22-111o, 22-279, 22-  
250 280a, 22-318a, 22-320h, 22-324a, 22-326 or 22-342, subsection (b) or (e)  
251 of section 22-344, section 22-359, 22-366, 22-391, 22-413, 22-414, 22-415,  
252 22a-66a or 22a-246, subsection (a) of section 22a-250, subsection (e) of  
253 section 22a-256h, subsection (a) of section 22a-381d, section 22a-449,  
254 22a-461, 23-37, 23-38, 23-46 or 23-61b, subsection (a) or (b) of section 23-  
255 65, section 25-37, 25-40, 26-19, 26-21, 26-31, 26-40, 26-40a, 26-49, 26-54,  
256 26-59, 26-61, 26-64, 26-79, 26-89, 26-97, 26-107, 26-117, 26-128, 26-131,  
257 26-132, 26-138, 26-141, 26-207, 26-215, 26-224a, 26-227, 26-230, 26-294,  
258 28-13, 29-6a, 29-109, 29-143o, 29-143z, section 5 of this act, 29-156a,  
259 subsection (b), (d), (e) or (g) of section 29-161q, section 29-161y, 29-  
260 161z, 29-198, 29-210, 29-243, 29-277, 29-316, 29-318, 29-341, 29-381, 30-  
261 48a, 30-86a, 31-3, 31-10, 31-11, 31-12, 31-13, 31-14, 31-15, 31-16, 31-18,  
262 31-23, 31-24, 31-25, 31-28, 31-32, 31-36, 31-38, 31-38a, 31-40, 31-44, 31-47,  
263 31-48, 31-51, 31-51k, 31-52, 31-52a or 31-54, subsection (a) or (c) of  
264 section 31-69, section 31-70, 31-74, 31-75, 31-76, 31-76a, 31-89b or 31-  
265 134, subsection (i) of section 31-273, section 31-288, 36a-787, 42-230,  
266 45a-450, 45a-634 or 45a-658, subdivision (13) or (14) of section 46a-54,  
267 section 46a-59, 46b-22, 46b-24, 46b-34, 46b-38dd, 46b-38gg, 46b-38kk,  
268 47-34a, 47-47, 49-8a, 49-16 or 53-133, or section 53-212a, 53-249a, 53-252,  
269 53-264, 53-302a, 53-303e, 53-311a, 53-321, 53-322, 53-323, 53-331, 53-344

270 or 53-450, or (2) a violation under the provisions of chapter 268, or (3) a  
271 violation of any regulation adopted in accordance with the provisions  
272 of section 12-484, 12-487 or 13b-410, or (4) a violation of any ordinance,  
273 regulation or bylaw of any town, city or borough, except violations of  
274 building codes and the health code, for which the penalty exceeds  
275 ninety dollars but does not exceed two hundred fifty dollars, unless  
276 such town, city or borough has established a payment and hearing  
277 procedure for such violation pursuant to section 7-152c, shall follow  
278 the procedures set forth in this section.

279 Sec. 8. Section 29-35 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
280 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

281 (a) No person shall carry any pistol or revolver upon his or her  
282 person, except when such person is within the dwelling house or place  
283 of business of such person, without a permit to carry the same issued  
284 as provided in section 29-28. The provisions of this subsection shall not  
285 apply to the carrying of any pistol or revolver by any parole officer or  
286 peace officer of this state, or parole officer or peace officer of any other  
287 state while engaged in the pursuit of official duties, or federal marshal  
288 or federal law enforcement agent, or to any member of the armed  
289 forces of the United States, as defined in section 27-103, or of this state,  
290 as defined in section 27-2, when on duty or going to or from duty, or to  
291 any member of any military organization when on parade or when  
292 going to or from any place of assembly, or to the transportation of  
293 pistols or revolvers as merchandise, or to any person transporting any  
294 pistol or revolver while contained in the package in which it was  
295 originally wrapped at the time of sale and while transporting the same  
296 from the place of sale to the purchaser's residence or place of business,  
297 or to any person removing such person's household goods or effects  
298 from one place to another, or to any person while transporting any  
299 such pistol or revolver from such person's place of residence or  
300 business to a place or individual where or by whom such pistol or  
301 revolver is to be repaired or while returning to such person's place of  
302 residence or business after the same has been repaired, or to any

303 person transporting a pistol or revolver in or through the state for the  
304 purpose of taking part in competitions, taking part in formal pistol or  
305 revolver training, repairing such pistol or revolver or attending any  
306 meeting or exhibition of an organized collectors' group if such person  
307 is a bona fide resident of the United States and is permitted to possess  
308 and carry a pistol or revolver in the state or subdivision of the United  
309 States in which such person resides, or to any person transporting a  
310 pistol or revolver to and from a testing range at the request of the  
311 issuing authority, or to any person transporting an antique pistol or  
312 revolver, as defined in section 29-33. For the purposes of this  
313 subsection, "formal pistol or revolver training" means pistol or  
314 revolver training at a locally approved or permitted firing range or  
315 training facility, and "transporting a pistol or revolver" means  
316 transporting a pistol or revolver that is unloaded and, if such pistol or  
317 revolver is being transported in a motor vehicle, is not readily  
318 accessible or directly accessible from the passenger compartment of the  
319 vehicle or, if such pistol or revolver is being transported in a motor  
320 vehicle that does not have a compartment separate from the passenger  
321 compartment, such pistol or revolver shall be contained in a locked  
322 container other than the glove compartment or console. Nothing in this  
323 section shall be construed to prohibit the carrying of a pistol or  
324 revolver during formal pistol or revolver training or repair.

325 (b) The holder of a permit issued pursuant to section 29-28 shall  
326 carry such permit upon one's person while carrying such pistol or  
327 revolver.

328 (c) (1) Any person carrying a pistol or revolver upon his or her  
329 person in accordance with the provisions of this section, shall conceal  
330 such pistol or revolver. (2) The provisions of this subsection shall not  
331 apply to the carrying of any pistol or revolver by any parole officer or  
332 peace officer of this state, or parole officer or peace officer of any other  
333 state while engaged in the pursuit of official duties, or federal marshal  
334 or federal law enforcement agent, or to any member of the armed  
335 forces of the United States, as defined in section 27-103, or of this state,

336 as defined in section 27-2, when on duty or going to or from duty.

337 Sec. 9. Section 29-37 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
338 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

339 (a) Any person violating any provision of section 29-28 or 29-31  
340 shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned not  
341 more than three years or both, and any pistol or revolver found in the  
342 possession of any person in violation of any of said provisions shall be  
343 forfeited.

344 (b) Any person violating any provision of subsection (a) of section  
345 29-35, as amended by this act, may be fined not more than one  
346 thousand dollars and shall be imprisoned not less than one year or  
347 more than five years, and, in the absence of any mitigating  
348 circumstances as determined by the court, one year of the sentence  
349 imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court. The court  
350 shall specifically state the mitigating circumstances, or the absence  
351 thereof, in writing for the record. Any pistol or revolver found in the  
352 possession of any person in violation of any provision of subsection (a)  
353 of section 29-35, as amended by this act, shall be forfeited.

354 (c) Any person violating any provision of subsection (b) of section  
355 29-35, as amended by this act, shall have committed an infraction and  
356 shall be fined thirty-five dollars.

357 (d) Any person violating any provision of subsection (c) of section  
358 29-35, as amended by this act, shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	29-37g
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	29-152m
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	53-206c
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	53-206d
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	New section

Sec. 6	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 7	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	51-164n(b)
Sec. 8	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	29-35
Sec. 9	<i>October 1, 2009</i>	29-37

***Statement of Purpose:***

To require gun show promoters to notify the Commissioner of Public Safety of any planned gun show; to mandate annual firearms safety refresher courses for bail enforcement agents, professional bondsmen and surety bail bond agents; to require that certain firearms and criminal justice course instructors be approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety; to provide an exemption to the offenses of selling, carrying or brandishing a facsimile firearm for a participant in a state-certified qualified production; to change the blood alcohol limit for the offense of carrying a firearm while intoxicated to achieve parity with the level for the offense of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated; and to require the concealment of a pistol or revolver when carried upon the person, with certain exemptions.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*