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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

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AN ACT CONCERNING CARRYING A FIREARM WHILE INTOXICATED OR UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL.

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

1 Section 1. Section 53-206d of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

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

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

11 (b) (1) No person shall engage in hunting while under the influence
 12 of intoxicating liquor or any drug, or both, [or while impaired by the
 13 consumption of intoxicating liquor.] A person shall be deemed under
 14 the influence when at the time of the alleged offense the person (A) is
 15 under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, or both, or (B)
 16 has an elevated blood alcohol content. For the purposes of this
 17 subdivision, "elevated blood alcohol content" means (i) a ratio of
 18 alcohol in the blood of such person that is [ten-hundredths] eight-
 19 hundredths of one per cent or more of alcohol, by weight, or (ii) if such
 20 person [has been convicted of a violation of this subsection, a ratio of
 21 alcohol in the blood of such person that is seven-hundredths of one per
 22 cent or more of alcohol, by weight. A person shall be deemed impaired
 23 when at the time of the alleged offense the ratio of alcohol in the blood
 24 of such person was more than seven-hundredths of one per cent of
 25 alcohol, by weight, but less than ten-hundredths of one per cent of
 26 alcohol, by weight] is under twenty-one years of age, a ratio of alcohol
 27 in the blood of such person that is two-hundredths of one per cent or
 28 more of alcohol, by weight.

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

31 (3) Enforcement officers of the Department of Energy and
 32 Environmental Protection are empowered to arrest for a violation of
 33 the provisions of this subsection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2016	53-206d

PS *Joint Favorable*

JUD *Joint Favorable*