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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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This information is accurate at the time this CAL-ERT was written and originally distributed. The scheduled times and dates for hearings are subject to change, by the legislature, with little or no advance notice. The [NRA Members' Councils of California](#) will keep you informed as the legislative situation changes in Sacramento.

CCW REFORM LEGISLATION INTRODUCED IN SACRAMENTO

(This is a partial list of legislation. A complete list of firearms-related legislation is found at <http://www.calnra.com/legs.shtml>)

Three major pieces of "Right-to-carry" related legislation have been introduced in the California State Legislature for the 2009 session. Brief summaries of each bill is included herein:

- **[AB 357](#) Issue: CONCEALED FIREARMS LICENSE - "SHALL ISSUE" Author: Knight Description: NRA-supported Legislation.** URL: <http://nramemberscouncils.com/legs.shtml?summary=ab357.1&year=2009>
Would create a "shall issue" CCW permit system in California.
Existing law authorizes the sheriff of a county, upon proof that the person applying is of good moral character, that good cause exists, and that the person applying satisfies any one of certain conditions, as specified, to issue a license for the person to carry a concealed handgun, as specified.
This bill would delete the good cause requirement, and require the sheriff to issue the license if the other criteria described above are met.
- **[AB 1167](#) Issue: CCW RECIPROCITY Author: Nielsen Description: NRA-sponsored Legislation.** URL: <http://nramemberscouncils.com/legs.shtml?summary=ab1167.1&year=2009>
Existing law regulates the carrying of firearms and authorizes the issuance of a license, as specified, to persons enabling them to carry firearms that are concealed, or loaded, as specified.
This bill would deem persons who have a valid permit or license to carry a concealed handgun issued by another state or a political subdivision of another state to be authorized to carry a concealed handgun pursuant to provisions of California law, as specified.
The bill would direct the Department of Justice to enter into reciprocity agreements with other states so that persons licensed in this state to carry concealed or loaded firearms would be authorized to do so in those other states. The department would be required each month to maintain and publish a list of those states with which this state has established reciprocity.
- **[AB 225](#) Issue: CONCEALED FIREARMS LICENSE - "GOOD CAUSE" Author: Miller Description: NRA-sponsored Legislation.** URL: <http://nramemberscouncils.com/legs.shtml?summary=ab225.1&year=2009>
This bill would define "Good Cause" in relation to the issuance of CCW permits in California.
Existing law authorizes the issuance, by the sheriff of a county, of a license to carry a concealed handgun or a loaded and exposed handgun, as specified. *This bill is a "spot bill", meaning the details of its final language are still under development and will replace the current language when complete.*

WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW:

- If you are not already a member of your local NRA Members' Council, **JOIN NOW!** at <http://www.calnra.com/volunteer/>. It costs you nothing but a little of your time - volunteering to help the NRA regain our Second Amendment rights in California.
- If you received this CALIFORNIA-ALERT SYSTEM (CAL-ERTs) message from sources other than your own personal subscription, we encourage you to subscribe to this [free service](http://e-govmail.com/cgi-bin/subscribe.cgi?to=nramemberscouncils.com) at <http://e-govmail.com/cgi-bin/subscribe.cgi?to=nramemberscouncils.com>. We won't send you messages very often, but when we do, something important is happening.
- Circulate this alert to every firearms owner, shooter, hunter, club, and freedom-loving American that you know and ask them to help.
- Although the hearing dates/times are not scheduled for the near future, please **be prepared to take action** as soon as the NRA informs you that your help is needed in lobbying the Legislature in Sacramento. All relevant legislative contact information will be available as needed.
- Read the "Open Letter to California's Sportsmen" at <http://www.calnra.com/caspecial/openletter.shtml>
- Subscribe to NRA-ILA alerts from NRA HQ -- <https://secure.nraila.org/EmailSignup.aspx>

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