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Texas Campus Carry Journey to Compliance

[Senate Bill 11](#) *Effective: August 1, 2016*

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Objective CAMPUS CARRY

Present the law relating to the carrying of handguns on the campuses of Texas Woman's University and certain other locations associated with the institution.

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The Law

- Authorizes a holder of a current License To Carry (LTC) to carry a concealed handgun on or about their person while on the campus of an institution of higher education. Open carrying of handguns is still prohibited on institutions of higher learning.

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The Law

- Requires chief executive officer of an institution of higher education in this state to establish reasonable rules, regulations, or other provisions regarding the carrying of concealed handguns by license holders (LTC) on the campus or on specific premises located on the campus.

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The Law

- Within 90 days after rules are established, board of regents shall review provisions
- Board may vote to amend rules and approve
- Institution must publish rules on website
- AND...

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The Law

- On Sept. 1 of even numbered years, institution must submit report to legislature describing rules and explain the reasons for the rules.
House Committee on Homeland Security and Public Safety will be monitoring the implementation of Senate Bill 11

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The Law

Authorizes posting of a sign under Penal Code Section 30.06 with respect to any portion of a premises on which concealed weapons license holders may not carry their weapon.

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**"PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.06,
PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY HOLDER OF A LICENSE TO CARRY A CONCEALED
HANDGUN)**

**A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE
(CONCEALED HANDGUN LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS
PROPERTY WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN."**

**"CONFORME A LA SECCIÓN 30.06
DEL CÓDIGO PENAL (TRASPASAR PORTANDO ARMAS DE FUEGO) PERSONAS CON
LICENCIA BAJO DEL SUB-CAPITULO H, CAPITULO 411, CODIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY
DE PORTAR ARMAS), NO DEBEN ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD PORTANDO UN ARMA
DE FUEGO."**

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Texas DPS

- 2014 – around 3% of population had a LTC
- 2014 – 86% of LTC issued to individuals over 30
- 2014 – 67% of LTC issued to individuals over 40
- 2013 – Of the total convictions in Texas, LTC holders made up .3%

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Proposed TWU Action Plan July 2015

Fall Semester 2015

- Create Task Forces on each TWU Campus
 - *Membership to include TWU Faculty, Staff, and Students*
- Host open forums on each TWU Campus
 - *Open to members of the TWU Community*

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Proposed TWU Action Plan

Fall Semester 2015

Considerations of the Task Forces and Forums

- Gun Free Zones
- Resident Halls
- Signage
- University Publications & Policy
- Law Enforcement
- Disciplinary Actions (Faculty, Staff, and Students)

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Proposed TWU Action Plan

Spring Semester 2016

- **Submit Task Force Proposal to the Chancellor**
- January 2016
- **Progress Report to Board of Regents** *- February 2016*
- **Final Proposal to Board of Regents** *- May 2016*
- **Compliance with law effective date** *- August 1, 2016*

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**Progress Report to Board of Regents and Chancellor
- February 2016**

Submitted TWU Regent Policy Gun Free Zones (Campus Carry) with approximately 150 pages of justifications for selection of Zones

- *Locations Providing Counseling and Health Services*
- *Locations Providing Childcare for Minor Children*
- *Locations Primarily Used for NCAA, UIL or Professional Sports Events*
- *Locations with Special or Unique Uses (Disciplinary Hearings)*
- *Locations with Special or Unique Uses (MISC)*

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**Progress Report to Board of Regents and Chancellor
- May 2016**

- **Final Proposal to Board of Regents – May 2016 which was approved**
- **Compliance with law effective date – August 1, 2016**

Current Tasks

- **Website posting of Regulations** (updated June 21, 2016)
– www.twu.edu/dps/campus-carry.asp
- **Awareness Programs concerning LTC Laws**
(orientations, organizations, departments, brochures, etc.)
- **Signage** (approximately \$5,000 spent on signage to date not counting labor)
- **Requested that a Standing Committee be in appointed**

QUESTIONS?