

By Mr. Brewer of Barre, petition of Stephen M. Brewer, Edward B. Teague III, Matthew J. Amorello and another for legislation to establish licensing reciprocity in the issuance of permits for firearms. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING LICENSE RECIPROCITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section one hundred and thirty-one G of chapter one hundred and
2 forty of the General Laws as appearing in the 1988 Official Edition
3 is hereby amended by striking said section and replacing it with the
4 following:

5 Section 131G. Any person who is not a resident of the common-
6 wealth may carry a firearm, as defined in section one hundred and
7 twenty-one, in or through the commonwealth; provided, that such
8 person is a resident of the United States and has a permit or license
9 to carry firearms issued under the laws of any state, district or terri-
10 tory thereof which has licensing requirements which prohibit the
11 issuance of permits or licenses to person who have been convicted of
12 a felony or who have been convicted of the unlawful use, possession
13 or sale of narcotic or harmful drugs. Police officers and other peace
14 officers of any state, territory or jurisdiction within the United States
15 duly authorized to possess firearms by the laws thereof shall, for the
16 purposes of this section, be deemed to have a permit or license to
17 carry firearms as described in this section.

