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3 4 5	(By Delegates Swartzmiller, Jones, Storch, Diserio, Ferro, Boggs, Ferns and Poling, D.)
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7	Committee on the Judiciary.]
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10	A BILL to amend and reenact $\$61-7-6$ of the Code of West Virginia,
11	1931, as amended, relating to dangerous weapons; and providing
12	an exception to the requirement of having a license to carry
13	a concealed weapon by magistrates and municipal court judges.
14	Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:
15	That $\$61-7-6$ of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
16	be amended and reenacted to read as follows:
17	ARTICLE 7. DANGEROUS WEAPONS.
18	§61-7-6. Exceptions as to prohibitions against carrying concealed
19	deadly weapons.
20	The licensure provisions set forth in this article do not
21	apply to:
22	(1) Any person carrying a deadly weapon upon his or her own
23	premises; nor shall anything herein prevent a person from carrying
24	any firearm, unloaded, from the place of purchase to his or her
25	home, residence or place of business or to a place of repair and

- 1 back to his or her home, residence or place of business, nor shall
- 2 anything herein prohibit a person from possessing a firearm while
- 3 hunting in a lawful manner or while traveling from his or her home,
- 4 residence or place of business to a hunting site and returning to
- 5 his or her home, residence or place of business;
- 6 (2) Any person who is a member of a properly organized target-
- 7 shooting club authorized by law to obtain firearms by purchase or
- 8 requisition from this state or from the United States for the
- 9 purpose of target practice from carrying any pistol, as defined in
- 10 this article, unloaded, from his or her home, residence or place of
- 11 business to a place of target practice and from any place of target
- 12 practice back to his or her home, residence or place of business,
- 13 for using any such weapon at a place of target practice in training
- 14 and improving his or her skill in the use of the weapons;
- 15 (3) Any law-enforcement officer or law-enforcement official as
- 16 defined in section one, article twenty-nine, chapter thirty of this
- 17 code;
- 18 (4) Any employee of the West Virginia Division of Corrections
- 19 duly appointed pursuant to the provisions of section five, article
- 20 five, chapter twenty-eight of this code while the employee is on
- 21 duty;
- 22 (5) Any member of the Armed Forces of the United States or the
- 23 militia of this state while the member is on duty;
- 24 (6) Any circuit judge, including any retired circuit judge

- 1 designated senior status by the Supreme Court of Appeals of West
- 2 Virginia, prosecuting attorney, assistant prosecuting attorney, or
- 3 a duly appointed investigator employed by a prosecuting attorney,
- 4 magistrate or municipal court judge;
- 5 (7) Any resident of another state who holds a valid license to
- 6 carry a concealed weapon by a state or a political subdivision
- 7 which has entered into a reciprocity agreement with this state,
- 8 subject to the provisions and limitations set forth in section six-
- 9 a of this article;
- 10 (8) Any federal law-enforcement officer or federal police
- 11 officer authorized to carry a weapon in the performance of the
- 12 officer's duty; and
- 13 (9) Any Hatfield-McCoy regional recreation authority ranger
- 14 while the ranger is on duty.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to except magistrates and municipal court judges from the requirement of having a license to carry a concealed weapon.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.