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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

H. B. 2128

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KESSINGER, BORDER AND FRICH)

[Passed March 12, 2015;
in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §61-6-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to permitting those individuals who hold a valid current concealed weapons permit to keep firearms in their motor vehicles on the State Capitol Complex grounds if the vehicle is locked and the weapon is out of normal view.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §61-6-19 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 6. CRIMES AGAINST THE PEACE.

§61-6-19. Willful disruption of governmental processes; offenses occurring at State Capitol Complex; penalties.

1 (a) If any person willfully interrupts or molests the orderly
2 and peaceful process of any department, division, agency or
3 branch of state government or of its political subdivisions, he or
4 she is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof,
5 shall be fined not more than \$100, or confined in jail not more
6 than six months, or both fined and confined: *Provided*, That any
7 assembly in a peaceable, lawful and orderly manner for a redress
8 of grievances shall not be a violation of this section.

9 (b) It is unlawful for any person to bring upon the State
10 Capitol Complex any weapon as defined in section two, article
11 seven of this chapter: *Provided*, That a person who holds a valid,
12 current concealed weapons permit issued by a sheriff of this state
13 or the appropriate authority of another jurisdiction may keep a
14 firearm in his or her motor vehicle upon the State Capitol
15 Complex if the vehicle is locked and the weapon is out of normal
16 view. It is unlawful for any person to willfully deface any trees,
17 wall, floor, stairs, ceiling, column, statue, monument, structure,
18 surface, artwork or adornment in the State Capitol Complex. It
19 is unlawful for any person or persons to willfully block or
20 otherwise willfully obstruct any public access, stair or elevator
21 in the State Capitol Complex after being asked by a
22 law-enforcement officer acting in his or her official capacity to
23 desist: *Provided*, That, in order to preserve the constitutional
24 right of the people to assemble, it is not willful blocking or
25 willful obstruction for persons gathered in a group or crowd if
26 the persons move to the side or part to allow other persons to
27 pass by the group or crowd to gain ingress or egress: *Provided*,
28 *however*, That this subsection does not apply to a
29 law-enforcement officer acting in his or her official capacity.

30 Any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a
31 misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not
32 less than \$100 or confined in jail not more than six months, or
33 both.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman, House Committee

Chairman, Senate Committee

Originating in the House.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the House of Delegates

Clerk of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

The within _____ this the _____
day of _____, 2015.

Governor

