

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2541

To allow certain off-duty law enforcement officers and retired law enforcement officers to carry a concealed firearm to protect children in a school zone.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 27, 2013

Mrs. HARTZLER (for herself, Mr. BROUN of Georgia, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. COLE, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. MULVANEY, Mrs. NOEM, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. FINCHER, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. LONG, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. CARTER, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. RADEL, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. DESANTIS, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. MEADOWS, and Mr. SMITH of Missouri) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Police Officers Pro-
5 tecting Children Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CERTAIN OFF-DUTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**
2 **AND RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**
3 **ALLOWED TO CARRY A CONCEALED FIRE-**
4 **ARM, AND DISCHARGE A FIREARM, IN A**
5 **SCHOOL ZONE.**

6 Section 922(q) of title 18, United States Code, is
7 amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (2)(B)—

9 (A) by striking “or” at the end of clause
10 (vi); and

11 (B) by redesignating clause (vii) as clause
12 (ix) and inserting after clause (vi) the following:

13 “(vii) by an off-duty law enforcement offi-
14 cer who is a qualified law enforcement officer
15 (as defined in section 926B) and is authorized
16 under such section to carry a concealed firearm,
17 if the firearm is concealed;

18 “(viii) by a qualified retired law enforce-
19 ment officer (as defined in section 926C) who
20 is authorized under such section to carry a con-
21 cealed firearm, if the firearm is concealed; or”;
22 and

23 (2) in paragraph (3)(B)—

24 (A) by striking “or” at the end of clause
25 (iii);

1 (B) by striking the period at the end of
2 clause (iv) and inserting a semicolon; and

3 (C) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(v) by an off-duty law enforcement officer
5 who is a qualified law enforcement officer (as
6 defined in section 926B) and is authorized
7 under such section to carry a concealed firearm;
8 or

9 “(vi) by a qualified retired law enforcement
10 officer (as defined in section 926C) who is au-
11 thorized under such section to carry a concealed
12 firearm.”.

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