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Representative Rob Brooks co-authors “Right to Carry” legislation

Madison, WI—Today, Representative Rob Brooks (R-Saukville) joined thirty-nine of his colleagues in authoring “Right to Carry,” legislation designed to simplify state law and fortify the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding Wisconsinites.

“The right to keep and bear arms is enshrined in the Second Amendment of our nation’s foundational document, the Constitution of the United States, and is further enumerated in Wisconsin’s constitution. This legislation expands freedoms and liberties for Wisconsinites, while simultaneously protecting private property rights,” said Representative Rob Brooks.

Under current law, the “open” or exposed carry of a firearm is legal without a concealed carry license. However, current law does not allow an individual to conceal one’s firearm in a jacket, briefcase, or purse, without a concealed carry permit. By eliminating the concealed carry licensure requirement, this bill aligns concealed and open carry laws with those enacted by the federal government. Furthermore, it ensures that law-abiding citizens will be afforded the same right to carry that they currently have to carry openly.

“As someone who has spent my career championing private property rights, I worked with my colleagues to ensure they were protected by this legislation. The “Right to Carry” legislation does not diminish the ability of businesses, educational institutions or governmental entities to post their buildings as “gun free zones,” Representative Brooks stated.

This legislation creates a basic license that will allow individuals to pick-up and drop-off children from school without having to leave their firearm at home. Subsequently, the “Right to Carry Act” maintains local control and private property rights by allowing the posting of schools, government buildings and private property.

“This legislation is a win-win for everyone, as it protects property rights, while simultaneously affording law-abiding citizens with the ability to exercise their Second Amendment rights,” Representative Brooks submitted.

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