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Regarding: SB-707 Firearms: gun-free school zone

Dear Tulare County CCW Instructor:

Recently Senate Bill 707 was signed into law by Governor Brown despite strong opposition. Current law exempts CCW license holders from gun-free school zones and restrictions prohibiting carry of concealable firearms on school, college, or university property and the restrictions for carrying/possessing ammunition on school, college, or university grounds. I want to ensure that Tulare County CCW licensees are aware of and understand the law changes so as not to violate the law.

SB 707 deletes those exemptions from the law. Effective January 1, 2016 it will be illegal for a valid CCW license holder to carry a concealable firearm or ammunition on school, college, or university campuses.

However, a person may lawfully have a concealable firearm if unloaded and locked in a container in the trunk of a car. SB 707 does not apply to peace officers or retired peace officers who are authorized to carry concealed. Nor does it apply to authorized armed security guards. A person with a valid CCW license may carry concealed within 1,000 feet of a school but not on school grounds. A school District Superintendent, designee, or equivalent school authority may grant written permission for a CCW licensee to carry on school grounds.

You can download a copy of the final version of SB707 by going to "Full Texts (6)" on the following page: <https://trackbill.com/bill/CA/2015/SB707/firearms-gun-free-school-zone>. I continue to support and defend our Second Amendment rights and the ability for qualified persons to carry concealed firearms.

Sincerely,

MIKE BOUDREAUX  
Sheriff-Coroner