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H. R. 2951

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BABIN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on House Administration, and Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. CARRYING OF CONCEALED HANDGUNS BY**
4 **MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 44 of title 18, United
6 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 926C
7 the following:

1 **“§ 926D. Carrying of concealed handguns by Members**
2 **of Congress**

3 “(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a
4 Member of Congress who is carrying the identification re-
5 quired by subsection (e), to whom a State or the United
6 States Capitol Police has issued a license or permit to
7 carry a concealed handgun, and who is not otherwise pro-
8 hibited by this chapter from transporting, shipping, or re-
9 ceiving a firearm, may carry a concealed handgun for any
10 lawful purpose, subject to the terms and conditions of the
11 license or permit (if issued by the United States Capitol
12 Police), anywhere in the United States, except as provided
13 in subsection (b).

14 “(b)(1) Subsection (a) shall not apply in or on the
15 grounds of the White House, or wherever the United
16 States Secret Service is prohibiting the possession of a
17 firearm.

18 “(2) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a Member of
19 Congress while on an air carrier, unless the Secretary of
20 Homeland Security finds that the Member of Congress has
21 successfully completed the training program established
22 under section 44921(c) of title 49.

23 “(c) The Chief of the United States Capitol Police
24 is authorized to issue a license or permit to carry a con-
25 cealed handgun to a Member of Congress for purposes of
26 this section, under such terms and conditions and in ac-

1 cordance with such criteria as the Chief considers appro-
2 priate.

3 “(d) The Secretary of Homeland Security shall en-
4 sure that the training program established under section
5 44921(c) of title 49 is made available to any Member of
6 Congress, on request of the Member of Congress.

7 “(e) The identification required by this subsection is
8 the photographic identification issued by a House of the
9 Congress that identifies the person photographed as a
10 Member of that House.

11 “(f) In this section, the term ‘Member of Congress’
12 means a Senator or a Representative in, or Delegate or
13 Resident Commissioner to, the Congress.”.

14 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
15 for such chapter is amended by inserting after the item
16 relating to section 926C the following:

“926D. Carrying of concealed handguns by Members of Congress.”.

17 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZING MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO USE OF-**
18 **FICIAL FUNDS TO PAY FOR FIREARMS TRAIN-**
19 **ING PROGRAM.**

20 (a) SENATORS.—The Senators’ Official Personnel
21 and Office Expense Account may be used to pay for the
22 Senator to receive training under the program established
23 under section 44921(c) of title 49, United States Code.

24 (b) MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA-
25 TIVES.—Section 101 of the House of Representatives Ad-

1 ministrative Reform Technical Corrections Act (2 U.S.C.
2 5341) is amended—

3 (1) by redesignating subsections (b) through (e)
4 as subsections (c) through (f); and

5 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
6 lowing new subsection:

7 “(b) FIREARMS TRAINING PROGRAM.—The Mem-
8 bers’ Representational Allowance may be used to pay for
9 the Member to receive training under the program estab-
10 lished under section 44921(c) of title 49, United States
11 Code.”.

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