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SENATE BILL 504

Short Title: Educational Property Definition/Firearms. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Tarte, Brock, Britt (Primary Sponsors); and Rabin.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DEFINE MORE PRECISELY "EDUCATIONAL PROPERTY" WITH REGARD TO THE LAW PROHIBITING THE POSSESSION OR CARRYING OF WEAPONS ON EDUCATIONAL PROPERTY AND TO AMEND THE LAW RESTRICTING THE POSSESSION OR CARRYING OF FIREARMS AT EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED IN PUBLIC PLACES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-269.2(a)(1) reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-269.2. Weapons on campus or other educational property.

(a) The following definitions apply to this section:

(1) Educational property. – Any school building or bus, school campus, grounds, recreational area, athletic field, or other property owned, used, or operated by any board of education or school board of trustees, or directors for the administration of any school. The term shall not include any of the following:

- a. Land, buildings, or other facilities owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by educational institutions but not used primarily for educational purposes.
- b. A religious institution for which facilities are used as a school on a part-time basis, provided such facilities are not currently in use as a school.
- c. A road or other publicly used thoroughfare which crosses an educational campus.
- d. A medical facility for which the primary purpose is patient care rather than education."

**SECTION 2.** G.S. 14-269.2 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(b2) Restrictions on extracurricular activities listed in subsections (b) and (b1) of this section do not apply to persons not participating in the extracurricular activity, provided the extracurricular activity is conducted in a public place, including, but not limited to, a restaurant, public park, or museum."

**SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2017. Prosecutions for offenses committed before the effective date of this act are not abated or affected by this act, and the statutes that would be applicable but for this act remain applicable to those prosecutions.

