THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1146 Session of 2024

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AN ACT

Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania 1 Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous 2 articles, further providing for licenses. 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 4 5 hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Section 6109(e)(1)(vi) and (xiv) of Title 18 of 6 the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read: 8 § 6109. Licenses. * * * 9 10 (e) Issuance of license.--11 A license to carry a firearm shall be for the 12 purpose of carrying a firearm concealed on or about one's 13 person or in a vehicle and shall be issued if, after an 14 investigation not to exceed 45 days, it appears that the 15 applicant is an individual concerning whom no good cause 16 exists to deny the license. A license shall not be issued to 17 any of the following: * * * 18

(vi) An individual who is addicted to or is an

1 unlawful user of marijuana or a stimulant, depressant or 2 narcotic drug. As used in this subparagraph, the term "unlawful user of marijuana" does not include an 3 individual who holds a valid identification card issued 4 under section 501 of the act of April 17, 2016 (P.L.84, 5 No.16), known as the Medical Marijuana Act. 6 7 8 (xiv) An individual who is prohibited from possessing or acquiring a firearm under the statutes of 9 the United States. This subparagraph shall not apply to 10 an individual who is prohibited from possessing or 11 acquiring a firearm under 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(3) (relating 12 13 to unlawful acts) based solely upon the individual's 14 status as a holder of a valid identification card issued under section 501 of the Medical Marijuana Act. 15

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17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.