

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

**HOUSE BILL 859  
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN RETIRED PROBATION AND PAROLE CERTIFIED OFFICERS FROM THE FIREARM SAFETY AND TRAINING COURSE REQUIREMENT FOR PURPOSES OF THE CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-415.10 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(4b) Qualified retired probation or parole certified officer. – An individual who retired from service as a State probation or parole certified officer, other than for reasons of mental disability, who has been retired as a probation or parole certified officer two years or less from the date of the permit application and who meets all of the following criteria:

- a. Immediately before retirement, the individual met firearms training standards of the Department of Correction and was authorized by the Department of Correction to carry a handgun in the course of duty.
- b. The individual retired in good standing and was never a subject of a disciplinary action by the Department of Correction that would have prevented the individual from carrying a handgun.
- c. The individual has a vested right to benefits under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System of North Carolina established under Article 1 of Chapter 135 of the General Statutes.
- d. The individual is not prohibited by State or federal law from receiving a firearm."

**SECTION 2.** G.S. 14-415.12A(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) A person who is a qualified sworn law enforcement ~~officer or officer~~, a qualified former sworn law enforcement ~~officer~~-officer, or a qualified retired probation or parole certified officer is deemed to have satisfied the requirement under G.S. 14-415.12(a)(4) that an applicant successfully complete an approved firearms safety and training course."



**SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2010, and applies to probation and parole officers who retired before, on, or after December 1, 2010.  
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.

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Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

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Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Beverly E. Perdue  
Governor

Approved \_\_\_\_\_m. this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010