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Introduced by Sen. BOYLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes -- recommitted to the Committee on Codes in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to certain exemptions for licensed gunsmiths, manufacturers and dealers employed in the fulfillment of government, law enforcement, or other state and municipal contracts

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. The opening paragraph and paragraph 1 of subdivision a of  
2     section 265.20 of the penal law, the opening paragraph as amended by  
3     section 1 of part FF of chapter 57 of the laws of 2013, paragraph 1 as  
4     amended by chapter 1041 of the laws of 1974, subparagraph (a) of para-  
5     graph 1 as amended by chapter 141 of the laws of 1988, subparagraphs (b)  
6     and (c) of paragraph 1 as added and subparagraphs (d) and (e) of para-  
7     graph 1 as relettered by chapter 843 of the laws of 1980 and subpara-  
8     graph (f) of paragraph 1 as amended by chapter 578 of the laws of 2006,  
9     are amended and a new subparagraph (d-1) is added to read as follows:  
10     Paragraph (h) of subdivision twenty-two of section 265.00 and sections  
11     265.01, 265.01-a, [subdivision one of section] 265.01-b, 265.02, 265.03,  
12     265.04, 265.05, 265.06, 265.10, 265.11, 265.12, 265.13, 265.15, 265.36,  
13     265.37 and 270.05 shall not apply to:  
14     1. Possession of any of the weapons, instruments, appliances or  
15     substances specified in sections 265.01, 265.01-B, 265.02, 265.03,  
16     265.04, 265.05, 265.06, 265.10, 265.11, 265.12, 265.13, 265.15, 265.36,  
17     265.37 and 270.05 by the following:  
18     (a) Persons in the military service of the state of New York when duly  
19     authorized by regulations issued by the adjutant general to possess the  
20     same.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1 (b) Police officers as defined in subdivision thirty-four of section  
2 1.20 of the criminal procedure law.

3 (c) Peace officers as defined by section 2.10 of the criminal proce-  
4 dure law.

5 (d) Persons in the military or other service of the United States, in  
6 pursuit of official duty or when duly authorized by federal law, regu-  
7 lation or order to possess the same.

8 (D-1) LICENSED GUNSMITHS, MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS NOT SEEKING TO  
9 OFFER FOR SALE WEAPONS, INSTRUMENTS, APPLIANCES OR SUBSTANCES WITHIN THE  
10 STATE WHERE SUCH SALE IS OTHERWISE PROHIBITED BY STATE LAW.

11 (e) Persons employed in fulfilling defense, LAW ENFORCEMENT, OR OTHER  
12 contracts with the government of the United States, STATES, MUNICI-  
13 PALITIES or agencies thereof OR COMMERCIAL CONTRACTS WITH LICENSED  
14 GUNSMITHS, MANUFACTURERS, AND DEALERS when possession of the same is  
15 necessary for manufacture, transport, installation and testing under the  
16 requirements of such contract.

17 (f) A person voluntarily surrendering such weapon, instrument, appli-  
18 ance or substance, provided that such surrender shall be made to the  
19 superintendent of the division of state police or a member thereof  
20 designated by such superintendent, or to the sheriff of the county in  
21 which such person resides, or in the county of Nassau or in the towns of  
22 Babylon, Brookhaven, Huntington, Islip and Smithtown in the county of  
23 Suffolk to the commissioner of police or a member of the police depart-  
24 ment thereof designated by such commissioner, or if such person resides  
25 in a city, town other than one named in this subparagraph, or village to  
26 the police commissioner or head of the police force or department there-  
27 of or to a member of the force or department designated by such commis-  
28 sioner or head; and provided, further, that the same shall be surren-  
29 dered by such person in accordance with such terms and conditions as may  
30 be established by such superintendent, sheriff, police force or depart-  
31 ment. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as granting immunity  
32 from prosecution for any crime or offense except that of unlawful  
33 possession of such weapons, instruments, appliances or substances  
34 surrendered as herein provided. A person who possesses any such weapon,  
35 instrument, appliance or substance as an executor or administrator or  
36 any other lawful possessor of such property of a decedent may continue  
37 to possess such property for a period not over fifteen days. If such  
38 property is not lawfully disposed of within such period the possessor  
39 shall deliver it to an appropriate official described in this paragraph  
40 or such property may be delivered to the superintendent of state police.  
41 Such officer shall hold it and shall thereafter deliver it on the writ-  
42 ten request of such executor, administrator or other lawful possessor of  
43 such property to a named person, provided such named person is licensed  
44 to or is otherwise lawfully permitted to possess the same. If no request  
45 to deliver the property is received by such official within one year of  
46 the delivery of such property, such official shall dispose of it in  
47 accordance with the provisions of section 400.05 of this chapter.

48 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.