

SENATE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL 901

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;
CREATING A CRIMINAL OFFENSE THAT MAKES IT UNLAWFUL TO CARRY A
FIREARM ON UNIVERSITY PREMISES; PROVIDING A PENALTY; ENACTING A
NEW SECTION OF CHAPTER 30, ARTICLE 7 NMSA 1978.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 30, Article 7 NMSA
1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF A FIREARM ON
UNIVERSITY PREMISES. --

A. Unlawful carrying of a firearm on university
premises consists of carrying a firearm on university premises
except by:

- (1) a peace officer;
- (2) university security personnel;

1 (3) a student, instructor or other
2 university-authorized personnel who are engaged in army, navy,
3 marine corps or air force reserve officer training corps
4 programs or a state-authorized hunter safety training program;

5 (4) a person conducting or participating in a
6 university-approved program, class or other activity involving
7 the carrying of a firearm; or

8 (5) a person older than nineteen years of age
9 on university premises in a private automobile or other private
10 means of conveyance, for lawful protection of the person's or
11 another's person or property.

12 B. As used in this section:

13 (1) "university" means the university of New
14 Mexico, New Mexico state university, New Mexico highlands
15 university, eastern New Mexico university, western New Mexico
16 university and New Mexico institute of mining and technology;
17 and

18 (2) "university premises" means:

19 (a) the buildings and grounds of a
20 university, including playing fields and parking areas of a
21 university, in or on which university or university-related
22 activities are conducted; or

23 (b) any other public buildings or
24 grounds, including playing fields and parking areas that are
25 not university property, in or on which university-related and

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1 sanctioned activities are performed.

2 C. Whoever commits unlawful carrying of a firearm
3 on university premises is guilty of a fourth degree felony."

4 Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. --The effective date of the
5 provisions of this act is July 1, 2003.

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