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H. R. 3543

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a national standard in accordance with which nonresidents of a State may carry concealed firearms in the State.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “National Right-to-
5 Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011”.

1 **SEC. 2. RECIPROCITY FOR THE CARRYING OF CERTAIN**
2 **CONCEALED FIREARMS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 44 of title 18, United
4 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 926C
5 the following:

6 **“§ 926D. Reciprocity for the carrying of certain con-**
7 **cealed firearms**

8 “(a) Notwithstanding any provision of the law of any
9 State or political subdivision thereof (except as provided
10 in subsection (b)), a person who is not prohibited by Fed-
11 eral law from possessing, transporting, shipping, or receiv-
12 ing a firearm, and who is carrying a valid identification
13 document containing a photograph of the person, and a
14 valid license or permit which is issued pursuant to the law
15 of a State and which permits the person to carry a con-
16 cealed firearm, may possess or carry a concealed handgun
17 (other than a machinegun or destructive device) that has
18 been shipped or transported in interstate or foreign com-
19 merce, in any State.

20 “(b) The possession or carrying of a concealed hand-
21 gun in a State under this section shall be subject to the
22 same conditions and limitations, except as to eligibility to
23 possess or carry, imposed by or under Federal or State
24 law or the law of a political subdivision of a State, that
25 apply to the possession or carrying of a concealed handgun
26 by residents of the State or political subdivision who are

1 licensed by the State or political subdivision to do so, or
 2 not prohibited by the State from doing so.

3 “(c) In subsection (a), the term ‘identification docu-
 4 ment’ means a document made or issued by or under the
 5 authority of the United States Government, a State, or
 6 a political subdivision of a State which, when completed
 7 with information concerning a particular individual, is of
 8 a type intended or commonly accepted for the purpose of
 9 identification of individuals.”.

10 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
 11 for such chapter is amended by inserting after the item
 12 relating to section 926C the following:

“926D. Reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.”.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 14 this section shall take effect 90 days after the date of the
 15 enactment of this Act.

16 **SEC. 3. GAO AUDIT OF THE STATES’ CONCEALED CARRY**
 17 **PERMIT OR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR**
 18 **NON-RESIDENTS.**

19 (a) The Comptroller General of the United States
 20 shall conduct an audit of—

21 (1) the laws and regulations of each State that
 22 authorize the issuance of a valid permit or license to
 23 permit a person, other than a resident of such State,
 24 to possess or carry a concealed firearm, including a
 25 description of the permitting or licensing require-

1 ments of each State that issues concealed carry per-
2 mits or licenses to persons other than a resident of
3 such State;

4 (2) the number of such valid permits or licenses
5 issued or denied (and the basis for such denials) by
6 each State to persons other than a resident of such
7 State; and

8 (3) the effectiveness of such State laws and reg-
9 ulations in protecting the public safety.

10 (b) Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
11 of this Act, the Comptroller General shall submit to Con-
12 gress a report on the findings of the study conducted
13 under subsection (a).

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