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RE: Concealed Handgun License Recognition

Dear Ms. Minton,

This letter is a response to your inquiry dated July, 2022 about whether Oregon law allows for recognition or reciprocity of Idaho concealed weapons licenses.

Oregon law does not give effect to the concealed weapons licenses from other states. Additionally, residents of other states are generally not eligible to receive an Oregon concealed handgun license. However, there is a limited exception for residents of a contiguous state, such as Idaho, who have a compelling business interest or other legitimate demonstrated need. For more information, please see ORS 166.291. I have attached a copy of the relevant portions.

I hope that helps. Please let me know if you have any additional questions. You can reach me at the email address or phone number below my signature.

Sincerely,

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166.250 Unlawful possession of firearms. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section or ORS. . . 166.291 . . . a person commits the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm if the person knowingly:

- (a) Carries any firearm concealed upon the person;
 - (b) Possesses a handgun that is concealed and readily accessible to the person within any vehicle; or . . .
- (5) Unlawful possession of a firearm is a Class A misdemeanor.

166.291 Issuance of concealed handgun license; application; fees; liability. (1) The sheriff of a county, upon a person's application for an Oregon concealed handgun license, upon receipt of the appropriate fees and after compliance with the procedures set out in this section, shall issue the person a concealed handgun license if the person:

- . . .
- (c) Is a resident of the county;

. . .

(8) The county sheriff may waive the residency requirement in subsection (1)(c) of this section for a resident of a contiguous state who has a compelling business interest or other legitimate demonstrated need.