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**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 23-1003**

101     **SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE STATE OF**  
102             **COLORADO AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION**  
103             **CONCERNING THE RIGHT TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN IN**  
104             **ANY AREA OF COLORADO EXCEPT AREAS PROHIBITED BY STATE**  
105             **LAW.**

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**Resolution Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this resolution as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this resolution passes third reading in the house of introduction, a resolution summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this resolution will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)*

The concurrent resolution amends section 13 of article II of the Colorado constitution to permit any person lawfully permitted to possess

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.*  
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a handgun pursuant to federal and state law to carry a concealed handgun in any area of the state. The resolution permits the general assembly, by law, to prohibit concealed carry of handguns at the following places:

- Into a place where carrying firearms is prohibited by federal law;
- Onto the property of a public elementary, middle, junior high, or high school; or
- Into a public building at which security personnel and weapons screening devices are permanently in place at each entrance to the building, security personnel electronically screen each person who enters the building, and security personnel require each person who is carrying a weapon of any kind to leave the weapon in the possession of security personnel while the person is in the building.

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1           *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the*  
2           *Seventy-fourth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate*  
3           *concurring herein:*

4           **SECTION 1.** At the election held on November 5, 2024, the  
5           secretary of state shall submit to the registered electors of the state the  
6           ballot title set forth in section 2 for the following amendment to the state  
7           constitution:

8           In the constitution of the state of Colorado, **amend** section 13 of  
9           article II as follows:

10          **Section 13. Right to bear arms.** (1) The right of no person to  
11          keep and bear arms in defense of ~~his~~ THE PERSON'S home, person, and  
12          property, or in aid of the civil power when thereto legally summoned,  
13          shall be called in question. ~~but nothing herein contained shall be~~  
14          ~~construed to justify the practice of carrying concealed weapons.~~

15          (2) A PERSON WHO IS AT LEAST TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE AND  
16          IS PERMITTED TO POSSESS A HANDGUN PURSUANT TO FEDERAL AND STATE  
17          LAW HAS THE AUTHORITY TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN IN ANY

1 AREA OF THE STATE; EXCEPT THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY, BY LAW,  
2 PROHIBIT THE CARRYING OF A CONCEALED HANDGUN AS FOLLOWS:

3 (a) INTO A PLACE WHERE THE CARRYING OF FIREARMS IS  
4 PROHIBITED BY FEDERAL LAW;

5 (b) ONTO THE REAL PROPERTY, OR INTO ANY IMPROVEMENTS  
6 ERECTED THEREON, OF A PUBLIC ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, JUNIOR HIGH, OR  
7 HIGH SCHOOL; OR

8 (c) INTO A PUBLIC BUILDING AT WHICH SECURITY PERSONNEL AND  
9 WEAPONS SCREENING DEVICES ARE PERMANENTLY IN PLACE AT EACH  
10 ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING, SECURITY PERSONNEL ELECTRONICALLY  
11 SCREEN EACH PERSON WHO ENTERS THE BUILDING, AND SECURITY  
12 PERSONNEL REQUIRE EACH PERSON WHO IS CARRYING A WEAPON OF ANY  
13 KIND TO LEAVE THE WEAPON IN POSSESSION OF SECURITY PERSONNEL  
14 WHILE THE PERSON IS IN THE BUILDING.

15 **SECTION 2.** Each elector voting at the election may cast a vote  
16 either "Yes/For" or "No/Against" on the following ballot title: "Shall  
17 there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the right  
18 to carry a concealed handgun in any area of Colorado except those areas  
19 prohibited by state law?"

20 **SECTION 3.** Except as otherwise provided in section 1-40-123,  
21 Colorado Revised Statutes, if at least fifty-five percent of the electors  
22 voting on the ballot title vote "Yes/For", then the amendment will become  
23 part of the state constitution.