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# S. 2188

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 13, 2012

Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. MANCHIN, and Mr. BAUCUS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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 2012”.

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) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

9 “(1) the term ‘eligible individual’ means an in-  
10 dividual who is not prohibited under Federal law  
11 from possessing, transporting, shipping, or receiving  
12 a firearm; and

13 “(2) the term ‘identification document’ means a  
14 document made or issued by or under the authority  
15 of the United States Government, a State, or a po-  
16 litical subdivision of a State which, when completed  
17 with information concerning a particular individual,  
18 is of a type intended or commonly accepted for the  
19 purpose of identifying individuals.

20 “(b) AUTHORIZATION.—Notwithstanding any provi-  
21 sion of the law of any State or political subdivision thereof,  
22 and except as provided in subsection (c), an eligible indi-  
23 vidual may carry a concealed handgun (other than a ma-  
24 chinegun or destructive device) that has been shipped or  
25 transported in interstate or foreign commerce in any

1 State, other than the State of residence of the eligible indi-  
2 vidual, that—

3 “(1) has a statute that allows residents of the  
4 State to obtain licenses or permits to carry concealed  
5 firearms; or

6 “(2) does not prohibit the carrying of concealed  
7 firearms by residents of the State for lawful pur-  
8 poses.

9 “(c) CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible individual car-  
11 rying a concealed handgun in a State under this sec-  
12 tion shall be permitted to carry a handgun subject  
13 to the same conditions and limitations imposed by or  
14 under Federal or State law or the law of a political  
15 subdivision of a State, except as to eligibility to  
16 carry a concealed handgun, that apply to residents  
17 of the State or political subdivision who—

18 “(A) have a license or permit issued by the  
19 State or political subdivision to carry a con-  
20 cealed handgun; or

21 “(B) if the State does not issue licenses or  
22 permits described in subparagraph (A), are not  
23 prohibited by the State from carrying a con-  
24 cealed handgun.

1           “(2) IDENTIFICATION; LICENSE OR PERMIT.—

2           An eligible individual who is carrying a concealed  
3           handgun under this section shall carry—

4                   “(A) a valid identification document con-  
5                   taining a photograph of the individual; and

6                   “(B) a valid license or permit that—

7                           “(i) is issued under the law of a  
8                           State; and

9                           “(ii) permits the individual to carry a  
10                          concealed firearm.”.

11           (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—

12           The table of sections for chapter 44 of title 18, United  
13           States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relat-  
14           ing to section 926C the following:

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

15           (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
16           this section shall take effect 90 days after the date of en-  
17           actment of this Act.

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