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# H. R. 4550

To permit qualified law enforcement officers, qualified retired law enforcement officers, and persons not prohibited by State law from carrying a concealed firearm to carry a firearm, and to discharge a firearm in defense of self or others, in a school zone.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 11, 2016

Mr. WEBER of Texas (for himself, Mr. YOHO, Mr. BABIN, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. PALMER, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. RUSSELL, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. OLSON, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. CARTER of Texas, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. ROHRABACHER, and Mr. BARTON) introduced the following bill; which was 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 “Protect Against School  
5 Shootings Act” or the “PASS Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF FIREARMS IN SCHOOL ZONES BY QUALI-**  
2 **FIED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, QUALI-**  
3 **FIED RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFI-**  
4 **CERS, AND PERSONS NOT PROHIBITED BY**  
5 **STATE LAW FROM CARRYING A CONCEALED**  
6 **FIREARM.**

7 (a) OVERRIDE OF THE GUN-FREE SCHOOL ZONES  
8 ACT OF 1990.—Section 922(q) of title 18, United States  
9 Code, is amended—

10 (1) in paragraph (2)—

11 (A) by striking “or” at the end of clause  
12 (vi);

13 (B) by striking the period at the end of  
14 clause (vii) and inserting “; or”; and

15 (C) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(viii) by a person who, under section  
17 926D, may carry a concealed firearm in a  
18 school zone.”; and

19 (2) in paragraph (3)—

20 (A) by striking “or” at the end of clause  
21 (iii);

22 (B) by striking the period at the end of  
23 clause (iv) and inserting “; or”; and

24 (C) by adding at the end the following:

1                   “(v) by a person who, under section  
2                   926D, may carry a concealed firearm in a  
3                   school zone.”.

4           (b) OVERRIDE OF STATE LAW.—

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

8           **“§ 926D. Use of firearms in school zones by qualified**  
9                   **law enforcement officers, qualified re-**  
10                   **tired law enforcement officers, and per-**  
11                   **sons not prohibited by State law from**  
12                   **carrying a concealed firearm**

13           “Notwithstanding the law of any State or any polit-  
14           ical subdivision thereof, a person who, under section 926B  
15           or 926C or the law of a State, may carry a concealed fire-  
16           arm may carry the firearm, and discharge the firearm in  
17           defense of self or others, in a school zone in any State.”.

18           (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
19           tions for such chapter is amended by inserting after  
20           the item relating to section 926C the following new  
21           item:

          “926D. Use of firearms in school zones by qualified law enforcement officers,  
          qualified retired law enforcement officers, and persons not pro-  
          hibited by State law from carrying a concealed firearm.”.

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