



# Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation

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The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation wants to make you aware of law changes that occurred in the last legislative session that impact the current SDA Law Book.

SIGNED BILL INCLUDING SDA LAW BOOK SECTION IMPACTED	CHANGES MADE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2023
<b>HB 1789</b> TITLE 21 O.S. §1290.2 – DEFINITIONS	Added definitions for Rifle and Shotgun. Pistols, handguns, rifles, shotguns, and all other lawful firearms mentioned in the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act may collectively be referred to as “firearms”.
<b>HB 1789</b> TITLE 21 O.S. §1290.4 – UNLAWFUL CARRY	It updated lawful and unlawful carry in Oklahoma
<b>HB 1789</b> TITLE 21 O.S. §1290.7 – CONSTRUING AUTHORITY OF LICENSE	It removed references to a valid handgun permit.  Changed “pistol” to “firearm”
<b>HB 1789</b> TITLE 21 O.S. §1290.8 – POSSESSION OF LICENSE REQUIRED-NOTIFICATION TO POLICE OF GUN	Changed “handgun” to “firearm”  Removed the requirement of having an SDA license to be authorized to carry a concealed or unconcealed firearm.  Added valid state photo identification card and valid driver’s license to the list of acceptable identification when in possession of a firearm.
<b>HB 1789</b> TITLE 21 O.S. §1290.24 – IMMUNITY	Changed “handgun” to “firearm”
<b>HB 1789</b> TITLE 21 O.S. §1290.25 – LEGISLATIVE INTENT	Removed reference to licenses.  Changed “handgun” to “firearm”

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<b>HB 1789</b> <b>TITLE 21 O.S. §1290.26 – RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT AUTHORITY</b>	Added valid driver’s license and valid state photo identification card to list of acceptable identification.  Removed requirement for DPS to keep a current list of non-permitting states for LE confirmation.
<b>SB 978</b> <b>TITLE 63 O.S. §4210.3 – UNLAWFUL TRANSPORTATION OF WEAPONS</b>	Updated the penalty for violating this provision.
<b>SDA License Approved as NICS Alternate Permit</b>  Excerpt from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Open Letter dated June 6, 2023  <b>OPEN LETTER TO ALL OKLAHOMA FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEES</b>  The purpose of this open letter is to advise you that the Oklahoma Self Defense Act Handgun License (SDA Handgun License) issued on or after November 1, 2021, meets the requirements as an alternative to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) check—but only in Oklahoma during the five-year period beginning on the date of issuance of the SDA Handgun License.  For more information see <a href="http://www.osbi.ok.gov/handgun-licensing">www.osbi.ok.gov/handgun-licensing</a> .	

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