

# ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 235

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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**SYNOPSIS**

Urges Congress and US President to enact “Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act.”

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



1    **AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION** respectfully urging Congress and the  
2       President of the United States to enact the “Concealed Carry  
3       Reciprocity Act.”

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5    **WHEREAS**, There exists a public interest in individuals maintaining the  
6       ability to protect themselves and their families from violence; and

7    **WHEREAS**, The right to keep and bear arms is enshrined in the Second  
8       Amendment of the United States Constitution and recognized by  
9       the Supreme Court of the United States; and

10   **WHEREAS**, The ability of law-abiding citizens to legally carry  
11       concealed firearms to defend themselves is a fundamental right; and

12   **WHEREAS**, It is in the best interest of our nation that citizens be able to  
13       travel freely from state to state without sacrificing the right to  
14       protect themselves and their families; and

15   **WHEREAS**, States currently may decline to recognize permits to carry  
16       concealed firearms issued by other states, thereby causing our  
17       citizens to forego the ability to protect themselves and their families  
18       when traveling outside of their home states; and

19   **WHEREAS**, Requiring all states to recognize a concealed carry permit  
20       issued by another state would rectify this inequality; and

21   **WHEREAS**, H.R. 38 of the 2021-2022 session, the “Concealed Carry  
22       Reciprocity Act,” has been re-introduced in the United States  
23       Congress in an effort to protect our citizens’ Second Amendment  
24       rights by allowing them to travel between states without sacrificing  
25       the ability to protect themselves and their families; and

26   **WHEREAS**, H.R. 38 permits a person carrying a valid identification  
27       document containing a photograph of the person and a state  
28       concealed weapons permit to carry a concealed handgun in any  
29       state, so long as the individual is not prohibited from possessing a  
30       firearm under federal law or from carrying a concealed firearm in  
31       the individual’s state of residence; and

32   **WHEREAS**, Currently, 20 states recognize all United States issued  
33       concealed carry permits and 18 additional states honor select states’  
34       concealed carry permits; and

35   **WHEREAS**, Enactment of the “Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act” will  
36       enhance citizens’ Second Amendment rights by permitting  
37       reciprocity among all the states for the carrying of concealed  
38       firearms; now, therefore,

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40       **BE IT RESOLVED** by the General Assembly of the State of New  
41       Jersey:

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43       1. This House respectfully urges Congress and the President of  
44       the United States to enact H.R. 38, the “Concealed Carry  
45       Reciprocity Act.”

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