

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Joe Driver, Chair, House Committee on Law Enforcement

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB896** by Farabee (Relating to the rights and liabilities of an employer with respect to the carrying of a concealed handgun.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend the Government Code to prohibit public and certain private employers from establishing a policy or rule that prohibits a concealed handgun license holder from transporting or storing a concealed handgun in a locked vehicle in any parking lot, parking garage, or other designated parking area. Private employers who provide an area (parking lot, parking garage, or other parking area) completely surrounded by a gate and not open to the public or an area in which access is monitored by security personnel may prohibit an employee from transporting or storing a concealed handgun in a vehicle.

The bill would not apply to prohibited premises under state or federal law. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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