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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREARMS LICENSES.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 134-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:  
3           "(a) In an exceptional case, when an applicant shows  
4 reason to fear injury to the applicant's person or property, the  
5 chief of police of the appropriate county [~~may~~] shall grant a  
6 license to an applicant who is a citizen of the United States of  
7 the age of twenty-one years or more or to a duly accredited  
8 official representative of a foreign nation of the age of  
9 twenty-one years or more to carry a pistol or revolver and  
10 ammunition therefor concealed on the person within the county  
11 where the license is granted. Where the urgency or the need has  
12 been sufficiently indicated, the respective chief of police  
13 [~~may~~] shall grant to an applicant of good moral character who is  
14 a citizen of the United States of the age of twenty-one years or  
15 more, is engaged in the protection of life and property, and is  
16 not prohibited under section 134-7 from the ownership or  
17 possession of a firearm, a license to carry a pistol or revolver



1 and ammunition therefor unconcealed on the person within the  
2 county where the license is granted. The chief of police of the  
3 appropriate county, or the chief's designated representative,  
4 shall perform an inquiry on an applicant by using the National  
5 Instant Criminal Background Check System, to include a check of  
6 the Immigration and Customs Enforcement databases where the  
7 applicant is not a citizen of the United States, before any  
8 determination to grant a license is made. Unless renewed, the  
9 license shall expire one year from the date of issue."

10 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
11 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
12 begun before its effective date.

13 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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# S.B. NO. 3349

**Report Title:**

Firearms; Ammunition; Licenses; Concealed Carry; Open Carry

**Description:**

Requires, rather than authorizes, the respective county chiefs of police to grant concealed carry and open carry licenses to qualified applicants who meet the requirements set forth in section 134-9, HRS.

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