STATE OF TENNESSEE

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 431

HOUSE BILL NO. 390

By Representatives Fincher, Evans, Lollar, Roach, Ford, Dean, Todd, Rich, Eldridge, Moore, Montgomery, Fraley, Hensley, Niceley, McCormick

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 578

By Senators Jackson, Crowe, Gresham

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to the rights of handgun carry permit holders.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307, is amended by adding the following new subsection (e):

(e) It is an exception to the application of this section that a person authorized to carry a handgun pursuant to § 39-17-1351, is transporting a rifle or shotgun in or on a privately-owned motor vehicle, and the rifle or shotgun does not have ammunition in the chamber. However, such a person does not violate this section by inserting ammunition into the chamber if the ammunition is inserted for purposes of justifiable self-defense pursuant to §§ 39-11-611 or 39-11-612.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 26, 2009

KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 12th day of June 2009

