

§1058. Unauthorized possession of firearm in courthouse

1. A person is guilty of unauthorized possession of a firearm in a courthouse if that person in fact possesses a firearm in a courthouse.

[PL 2005, c. 527, §9 (AMD).]

2. This section does not apply to:

A. A law enforcement officer, a corrections officer or a corrections supervisor engaged in the performance of the law enforcement officer's, corrections officer's or corrections supervisor's public duty; [PL 2007, c. 466, Pt. C, §6 (AMD).]

B. A person possessing an unloaded firearm for the purpose of offering the firearm as evidence in a civil or criminal proceeding if the presiding judge or justice has granted prior approval in writing to the person and the person possesses a copy of the written approval; or [PL 2007, c. 466, Pt. C, §6 (AMD).]

C. An employee of a courier or security service in the course and scope of employment for the courier or security service, as approved by the judicial marshal. [PL 2013, c. 147, §1 (AMD).]
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2-A. It is not a defense to a prosecution under this section that the person holds a valid permit to carry a concealed handgun issued under Title 25, chapter 252.

[PL 2013, c. 424, Pt. A, §7 (AMD).]

3. Unauthorized possession of a firearm in a courthouse is a Class D crime.

[PL 2005, c. 527, §9 (AMD).]

SECTION HISTORY

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