

Governor Hutchinson recently sent a letter to agencies and departments regarding the implementation of Act 562 of 2017 and the Arkansas State Police Concealed Handgun Carry License Rules. The Act authorizes enhanced licensees to carry or possess a handgun in state owned buildings. Governor Hutchinson's letter referenced the placement of signage. This is to notify agencies in DBA owned managed offices that:

- DBA will be placing signs at all DBA owned/managed properties entrances informing the public that only enhanced carry licensees may carry or possess a handgun within the DBA properties. These signs will be clearly visible 10 feet from the entrances.
  - Signs at DBA Entrances will state: All loaded firearms or other deadly weapons are prohibited within this building. Carrying a concealed handgun is permitted only if the individual possesses a concealed handgun enhanced license endorsement.
  
- Also, there are common area meeting rooms where administrative hearings are held, in which all firearms are prohibited under the Act. DBA will place signs prohibiting enhanced carry licensees from carrying or possessing a firearm in these areas.
  - In these instances (common area locations where administrative hearing are held), the signs will state: All loaded firearms and other deadly weapons are prohibited. (Exception: law enforcement offices and military personnel).
  - The Tenant Agency shall be responsible for the placement of additional signage for those rooms/offices utilized for administrative hearings within their leased space pursuant to the Governor's letter.