

# SENATE BILL NO. 22

January 17, 2023, Introduced by Senator DAMOOSE and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1945 PA 327, entitled "Aeronautics code of the state of Michigan," by amending section 80f (MCL 259.80f), as added by 2001 PA 225.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

- 1           Sec. 80f. (1) An individual shall not possess, carry, or  
2 attempt to possess or carry any of the following in a sterile area  
3 of a commercial airport:  
4           (a) Firearm.  
5           (b) Explosive.

1 (c) Knife with a blade of any length.

2 (d) Razor, box cutter, or item with a similar blade.

3 (e) Dangerous weapon.

4 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3), an individual who  
5 violates subsection (1) is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by  
6 imprisonment for not more than 1 year or a fine of not more than  
7 \$1,000.00, or both.

8 (3) An individual who violates subsection (1) while doing any  
9 of the following is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment  
10 for not more than 10 years or a fine of not more than \$10,000.00,  
11 or both:

12 (a) Getting on or attempting to get on an aircraft.

13 (b) Placing, attempting to place, or attempting to have placed  
14 on an aircraft an item listed in subsection (1).

15 (c) Committing or attempting to commit a felony.

16 (4) This section does not apply to any of the following:

17 (a) A peace officer of a duly authorized police agency of this  
18 state, a political subdivision of this state, another state, a  
19 political subdivision of another state, or the United States.

20 (b) An individual regularly employed by the department of  
21 corrections and authorized in writing by the director of the  
22 department of corrections to possess or carry an item listed in  
23 subsection (1) during the performance of ~~his or her~~ **the**  
24 **individual's** duties or while going to or returning from ~~his or her~~  
25 **the individual's** duties.

26 (c) A member of the United States ~~army, air force, navy,~~  
27 ~~marine corps, or coast guard~~ **Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps,**  
28 **Space Force, or Coast Guard** while possessing or carrying an item  
29 listed in subsection (1) in the line of duty.

1 (d) A member of the national guard, armed forces reserves, or  
2 other duly authorized military organization while on duty or drill  
3 or while possessing or carrying an item listed in subsection (1)  
4 for purposes of that military organization.

5 (e) Security personnel employed to enforce federal regulations  
6 for access to a sterile area.

7 (f) A court officer while engaged in ~~his or her duties as a~~  
8 **the court officer-officer's duties** as authorized by a court.

9 (g) An airline or airport employee as authorized by ~~his or her~~  
10 **the employee's** employer.

11 (5) This section does not prohibit the individual from being  
12 charged with, convicted of, or punished for any other violation of  
13 law committed by that individual while violating this section.

14 (6) A term of imprisonment imposed under this section may be  
15 served consecutively to any other term of imprisonment imposed for  
16 a violation of law arising out of the same transaction.

17 (7) As used in this section:

18 (a) "Commercial airport" means an airport that has regularly  
19 scheduled commercial flights to and from other destinations.

20 (b) "Felony" means that term as defined in section 1 of  
21 chapter I of the code of criminal procedure, 1927 PA 175, MCL  
22 761.1, or a violation of a law of the United States that is  
23 designated as a felony or that is punishable by death or by  
24 imprisonment for more than 1 year.

25 (c) "Sterile area" means ~~that term as defined in 14 C.F.R.~~  
26 **107.1, a portion of an airport defined in an airport security**  
27 **program approved by the Transportation Security Administration**  
28 **under 49 CFR 1542.101 that provides passengers access to boarding**  
29 **aircraft and to which the access generally is controlled by the**

1 Transportation Security Administration, or by an aircraft operator  
2 under 49 CFR part 1544 or a foreign air carrier under 49 CFR part  
3 1546, through the screening of individuals and property.