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WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, U.S. Representative Richard Hudson (NC-08) released the following statement after introducing the bipartisan <u>Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017</u> (H.R. 38) with 58 original cosponsors:

"Our Second Amendment right doesn't disappear when we cross state lines, and this legislation guarantees that. The Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017 is a common sense solution to a problem too many Americans face. It will provide law-abiding citizens the right to conceal carry and travel freely between states without worrying about conflicting state codes or onerous civil suits. As a member of President-elect Trump's Second Amendment Coalition, I look forward to working with my colleagues and the administration to get this legislation across the finish line."

Rep. Hudson's bill, which is supported by major pro-Second Amendment groups, would allow people with a state-issued concealed carry license or permit to conceal a handgun in any other state that allows concealed carry, as long as the permit holder follows the laws of that state. It also allows residents of Constitutional carry states the ability to carry in other states that recognize their own resident's right to concealed carry.

For a one-pager on the bill, click here. For a Q&A document, click here.

Last month, Rep. Hudson joined "Varney & Co." on Fox Business to discuss his plan to introduce this legislation and his work to protect our Second Amendment rights.

Rep. Hudson, who is nationally recognized as a strong advocate for our Second Amendment rights, introduced similar legislation in the 114th Congress. This bill, H.R. 986, had 216 cosponsors. In addition, his <u>amendment to stop President Obama's "green-tip" bullet ban</u> passed the House and helped put intense pressure on the administration to abandon its unilateral attempt to restrict our right to keep and bear arms.