Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 280

BY REPRESENTATIVE IVEY

WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Provides reduced fees for concealed handgun permits for active duty members, reserve members, and veterans of U.S. armed forces

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 40:1379.3(W), relative to concealed handgun permits; to provide for reduced
3	fees for active duty members, reserve members, and veterans of the armed forces of
4	the United States; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 40:1379.3(W) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	§1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures;
8	definitions
9	* * *
10	W.(1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, an active duty
11	member, reserve member, or veteran of the armed forces of the United States shall
12	pay one half of the annual fee provided for in Paragraph (H)(2) of this Section for a
13	five-year permit, or if applying for a lifetime concealed handgun permit, he shall
14	prepay that fee for a total of ten years at the time the application for the lifetime
15	concealed handgun permit is made.
16	(2) For the purposes of this Subsection, "veteran" shall mean any honorably
17	discharged veteran of the armed forces of the United States including reserved
18	components of the armed forces, the Army National Guard, the Air National Guard,
19	the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service, and any other category of
20	persons designated by the president in time of war or emergency.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides reduced fees for concealed handgun permits for active members, reserve members, and veterans of the United States armed forces.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the issuance of concealed handgun permits and establishes qualifications for the issuance of a permit. Provides that the term of a concealed handgun permit is five years and the fee for the issuance of the permit is \$25 per year for a total fee of \$125.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> for non-military. <u>Proposed law</u> provides for a reduced annual fee of \$12.50 per year for a total fee of \$62.50 for active duty members, reserve members, or veterans of the United States armed forces.

<u>Present law</u> further provides for the issuance of a lifetime concealed handgun permit to La. residents who meet the qualifications for the issuance of a concealed handgun permit.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the term of the permit shall be for the life of the permit holder, and provides that an applicant for the permit shall prepay <u>present law</u> fees for a total of 20 years at the time the application is made. If the applicant is 65 years of age or older, the <u>present law</u> fee shall be prepaid for a total of 10 years.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that the permit fee for an active duty member, reserve member, or veteran of the United States armed forces shall be prepaid for a total of 10 years.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "veteran" as any honorably discharged veteran of the armed forces of the United States including reserved components of the armed forces, the Army National Guard, the Air National Guard, the commissioned corps of the Public Health Service, and any other category of persons designated by the president in time of war or emergency.

(Adds R.S. 40:1379.3(W))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

- Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Administration of Criminal</u> <u>Justice</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.
- 1. Provides that reduced fees also apply to active duty and reserve members of the United States armed forces.