

1 HOUSE BILL 306

2 **55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2021**

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11 RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT; PLACING A NINETY-DAY LIMIT ON
12 DECISIONS REGARDING A CONCEALED HANDGUN LICENSE; PLACING A
13 SIXTY-DAY LIMIT ON A CONCEALED HANDGUN LICENSE RENEWAL.

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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

16 SECTION 1. Section 29-19-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003,
17 Chapter 255, Section 6, as amended) is amended to read:

18 "29-19-6. [~~APPEAL~~] LICENSE ISSUANCE--LICENSE RENEWAL--
19 REFRESHER FIREARMS TRAINING COURSE--LOST OR STOLEN LICENSE--
20 SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE.--

21 A. Pursuant to rules adopted by the department, the
22 department, within thirty days after receiving a completed
23 application for a concealed handgun license and the results of
24 a national criminal background check on the applicant and no
25 more than ninety days after receiving a completed application,

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1 shall:

2 (1) issue a concealed handgun license to an
3 applicant; or

4 (2) deny the application on the grounds that
5 the applicant failed to qualify for a concealed handgun license
6 pursuant to the provisions of the Concealed Handgun Carry Act.

7 B. Information relating to an applicant or to a
8 licensee received by the department or any other law
9 enforcement agency is confidential and exempt from public
10 disclosure unless an order to disclose information is issued by
11 a court of competent jurisdiction. The information shall be
12 made available by the department to a state or local law
13 enforcement agency upon request by the agency.

14 C. A concealed handgun license issued by the
15 department shall include:

16 (1) a color photograph of the licensee;

17 (2) the licensee's name, address and date
18 of birth;

19 (3) the expiration date of the concealed
20 handgun license; and

21 (4) the category and the largest caliber of
22 handgun that the licensee is licensed to carry, with a
23 statement that the licensee is licensed to carry smaller
24 caliber handguns but shall carry only one concealed handgun at
25 any given time.

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1 D. A licensee shall notify the department within
2 thirty days regarding a change of the licensee's name or
3 permanent address. A licensee shall notify the department
4 within ten days if the licensee's concealed handgun license is
5 lost, stolen or destroyed.

6 E. If a concealed handgun license is lost, stolen
7 or destroyed, the license is invalid and the licensee may
8 obtain a duplicate license by furnishing the department a
9 notarized statement that the original license was lost, stolen
10 or destroyed and paying a reasonable fee. If the license is
11 lost or stolen, the licensee shall file a police report with a
12 local law enforcement agency and include the police case number
13 in the notarized statement.

14 F. A licensee may renew a concealed handgun license
15 by submitting to the department:

16 (1) a completed renewal form, under penalty of
17 perjury, designed and provided by the department;

18 (2) a payment of a seventy-five-dollar
19 (\$75.00) renewal fee; and

20 (3) a certificate of completion of a four-hour
21 refresher firearms training course approved by the department.

22 G. The department shall conduct a national criminal
23 records check of a licensee seeking to renew a license. The
24 department shall issue the renewal no more than sixty days
25 after the submission of the materials pursuant to Subsection F

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1 of this section. A concealed handgun license shall not be
2 renewed more than sixty days after it has expired. A licensee
3 who fails to renew a concealed handgun license within sixty
4 days after it has expired may apply for a new concealed handgun
5 license pursuant to the provisions of the Concealed Handgun
6 Carry Act.

7 H. A licensee shall complete a two-hour refresher
8 firearms training course two years after the issuance of an
9 original or renewed license. The refresher course shall be
10 approved by the department and shall be taken twenty-two to
11 twenty-six months after the issuance of an original or renewed
12 license. A certificate of completion shall be submitted to the
13 department no later than thirty days after completion of the
14 course.

15 I. The department shall suspend or revoke a
16 concealed handgun license if:

17 (1) the licensee provided the department with
18 false information on the application form or renewal form for a
19 concealed handgun license;

20 (2) the licensee did not satisfy the criteria
21 for issuance of a concealed handgun license at the time the
22 license was issued; or

23 (3) subsequent to receiving a concealed
24 handgun license, the licensee violated a provision of the
25 Concealed Handgun Carry Act."

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