SENATE BILL 2566

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, relative to handgun carry permit validity periods, contents, fees, issuance, and renewal.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(e), is amended by deleting the first sentence in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

The department shall also require an applicant to submit proof of the successful completion of a department approved handgun safety course within one (1) year of the date of application.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(m), is amended by deleting the last sentence of the paragraph in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

No person shall be required to complete any additional handgun safety course if the person applies for a renewal of a handgun carry permit within eight (8) years from the date of expiration.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(n)(1), is amended by deleting the language "four (4) years" and substituting instead the language "eight (8) years".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(n)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

After the initial issuance of a handgun carry permit, the department shall conduct a name-based criminal history record check every four (4) years or upon receipt of an application.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(o)(4), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(4) The permit number, issuance date, and expiration date.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(p)(1), is amended by deleting the first sentence and substituting instead the following:

Except as provided in subsection (x), the department shall charge an application and processing fee of one hundred dollars (\$100).

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(q)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

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- (A) A person may renew that person's handgun carry permit beginning six (6) months prior to the expiration date on the face of the card, and, if the permit is not expired, the person shall only be required to comply with the renewal provisions of subdivision (q)(1).
- (B) Any person who applies for renewal of that person's handgun carry permit after the expiration date on the face of the card shall only be required to comply with the renewal provisions of subdivision (q)(1) unless the permit has been expired for more than eight (8) years.
- (C) Any person who applies for renewal of a handgun carry permit when the permit has been expired for more than eight (8) years, shall, for all purposes, be considered a new applicant.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(q)(3), is amended by deleting the language "six (6) months" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "eight (8) years".

SECTION 9. For the purpose of promulgating rules, forms, and procedures and making necessary provisions for the implementation of this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect thirty (30)

days after the date upon which the commissioner of safety provides written notification to the secretary of state and the executive secretary of the Tennessee code commission that the department of safety's "A-list" driver license program is capable of implementing this act or it shall take effect on January 1, 2017, whichever is earlier, the public welfare requiring it. The commissioner shall cause such notification to be published on the web site of the department contemporaneously with delivery to the secretary of state and executive secretary of the Tennessee code commission.

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