HOUSE BILL 578

By Bricken

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to enhanced handgun carry permits.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, is amended by deleting subsection (p) in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, is amended by deleting subdivision (q)(1) and substituting:

(1) Prior to the expiration of a permit, a permit holder may apply to the department for the renewal of the permit by submitting, under oath, a renewal application. The renewal application must be on a standard form developed by the department of safety and must require the applicant to disclose, under oath, the information concerning the applicant as set forth in subsection (c), and shall require the applicant to certify that the applicant still satisfies all the eligibility requirements of this section for the issuance of a permit. In the event the permit expires prior to the department's approval or issuance of notice of denial regarding the renewal application, the permit holder shall be entitled to continue to use the expired permit; provided, however, that the permit holder shall also be required to prove that the renewal application was delivered to the department prior to the expiration date of the permit. The department is authorized to contract with a local government agency for the provision of any service related to the renewal of enhanced handgun carry permits, subject to applicable contracting statutes and regulations.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, is amended by deleting subdivision (x)(2) in its entirety.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, is amended by deleting subdivision (x)(5) in its entirety.

SECTION 5. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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