

Legislative Analysis



ELIMINATE CONCEALED PISTOL LICENSE RENEWAL FEE

House Bill 5098 as introduced
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5098 would amend 1927 PA 372, the handgun licensing law, to eliminate the fee to renew a concealed pistol license (CPL).

Currently under the act, an applicant for a renewal CPL must pay an application and licensing fee of \$115. Of that amount, \$36 is deposited in the concealed pistol licensing fund of the applicable county, and the balance (\$79) is deposited in the state general fund to the credit of the Department of State Police (MSP).

The bill would eliminate this fee.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5098 would have a significant fiscal impact on the MSP and on county governments. The bill would significantly reduce revenues to the aforementioned entities by eliminating the \$115 fee for renewing a concealed pistol license. Of that fee, \$36 is deposited to the concealed pistol licensing fund of the respective county and \$79 is deposited to the state general fund to the credit of the MSP. According to the most recent concealed pistol licensing report from the MSP for FY 2018-19, MSP revenues from all CPL licensing (including both initial and renewal applications) totaled \$8.9 million. Assuming that this figure represents the MSP's total share of CPL licensing revenues, county revenues from CPL licensing in FY 2018-19 would be approximately \$4.0 million. Total departmental expenditures for FY 2018-19 totaled \$8.9 million, according to the report. Of the \$8.9 million in revenue that MSP receives from CPL licensing, approximately \$2.0 million was expended for MSP's CPL Unit and \$6.9 million was expended for support systems utilized by the CPL Unit.

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