

Legislative Analysis



ELIMINATE REQUIREMENT TO FILE IN COUNTY OF RESIDENCE FOR CONCEALED PISTOL LICENSE

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House Bill 4718 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Gary R. Eisen
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4718 would amend 1927 PA 372, the handgun licensing law, to allow individuals to apply for a concealed pistol license (CPL) in any Michigan county.

Currently under the act, an individual must apply to the county clerk in the county where he or she lives to obtain a CPL. The bill would eliminate this requirement and allow individuals to file in any county in Michigan.

MCL 28.425b and 28.425l

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4718 would not have a significant net fiscal impact on any unit of state or local government, although the potential exists for county clerks to experience increases or decreases in revenue from CPL application fees. By allowing individuals to apply for concealed pistol licenses through any county clerk, the bill may shift application volumes among the counties, as individuals may choose to utilize a county clerk outside of their county of residence. Under current law, county clerks retain \$26 of the application fee that license applicants remit. Since this fee is remitted to the clerk processing the application, clerks that experience shifts in application volumes would experience similar shifts in application fee revenue. It is presently unclear whether the additional revenue from application fees would sufficiently offset expenditures in counties that see increased application volumes.

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