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1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 692**

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4 *A BILL to amend and reenact § 18.2-308.03 of the Code of Virginia, relating to concealed handgun permit*
5 *fees.*

6 Patron—Zehr

7 Committee Referral Pending

8 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**9 **1. That § 18.2-308.03 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**10 **§ 18.2-308.03. Fees for concealed handgun permits.**11 A. The clerk shall charge a fee of \$10 for the processing of an application or issuing of a permit, including
12 his costs associated with the consultation with law-enforcement agencies. The local law-enforcement agency
13 conducting the background investigation may charge a fee not to exceed \$35 \$10 to cover the cost of
14 conducting an investigation pursuant to this article. The \$35 \$10 fee shall include any amount assessed by the
15 U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation for providing criminal history record information, and the local
16 law-enforcement agency shall forward the amount assessed by the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation to the
17 State Police with the fingerprints taken from any nonresident applicant. The State Police may charge a fee not
18 to exceed \$5 to cover its costs associated with processing the application. The total amount assessed for
19 processing an application for a permit shall not exceed \$50 \$25, with such fees to be paid in one sum to the
20 person who receives the application. Payment may be made by any method accepted by that court for
21 payment of other fees or penalties. No payment shall be required until the application is received by the court
22 as a complete application.23 B. No fee shall be charged for the issuance of such permit to a person who has retired from service (i) as a
24 magistrate in the Commonwealth; (ii) as a special agent with the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control
25 Authority or as a law-enforcement officer with the Department of State Police, the Department of Wildlife
26 Resources, or a sheriff or police department, bureau, or force of any political subdivision of the
27 Commonwealth, after completing 15 years of service or after reaching age 55; (iii) as a law-enforcement
28 officer with the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Secret
29 Service Agency, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services,
30 U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of State Diplomatic Security Service, U.S. Marshals
31 Service, or Naval Criminal Investigative Service, after completing 15 years of service or after reaching age
32 55; (iv) as a law-enforcement officer with any police or sheriff's department within the United States, the
33 District of Columbia, or any of the territories of the United States, after completing 15 years of service; (v) as
34 a law-enforcement officer with any combination of the agencies listed in clauses (ii) through (iv), after
35 completing 15 years of service; (vi) as a designated boarding team member or boarding officer of the United
36 States Coast Guard, after completing 15 years of service or after reaching age 55; (vii) as a correctional
37 officer as defined in § 53.1-1, after completing 15 years of service; or (viii) as a probation and parole officer
38 authorized pursuant to § 53.1-143, after completing 15 years of service.

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