

Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

Fiscal Analysis: This bill requires the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) to determine if the requirements and qualifications of state law are substantially similar to the requirements provided in this article to prevent possession of a permit or license by person who would be denied a permit in Virginia. The second enactment clause requires the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) to review any agreements for reciprocal recognition that are in place and provide ongoing analysis of other states' concealed weapon permit laws. The OAG anticipates that to meet the requirements of this bill, it will take approximately 50 percent of an Assistant Attorney General's time, but that this could be absorbed by the OAG using existing resources.

The bill also requires the Department of State Police (VSP) to publish on its website any state that meets the requirements and qualifications stated in the proposal. Additionally, it also provides the Superintendent of State Police to maintain a registry of such states on the Virginia Criminal Information Network (VCIN) and make the registry available to law-enforcement officers for investigative purposes. It also allows for the Superintendent of State Police, in consultation with the Attorney General, to enter into agreement for reciprocal recognition with any state. The Department of State Police believes the impact on VCIN will be minimal and absorbable.

Other: None.