

## Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB350

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Peake

**3. Committee:** Senate Courts of Justice

**4. Title:** 15-year concealed handgun permit

**5. Summary:** Extends the validity of concealed handgun permits for both residents and nonresidents to 15 years. Currently, permits expire after 5 years.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See Item 8.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** Currently, under existing law, the clerk of the court, local law enforcement and the Department of State Police may each charge a fee for processing an application for a concealed handgun permit. Total fees may not exceed \$50. The court of clerks collects up to \$10 for the processing of an application or issuing of a permit, the local law enforcement agency may charge a fee of not more than \$35 to cover the cost of conducting an investigation including any amount assessed by the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Department of State Police may charge a fee not to exceed \$5 to cover the cost associated with processing the application. For nonresident applications, the Department of State Police (VSP) accepts and processes each application. There is a \$100 fee associated with each nonresident application to cover the cost of the background check and issuance of the permit. All fees collected by the Department of State Police in the concealed handgun program are deposited into the general fund. The same fee structures apply for permit renewals as they do for the initial application.

According to VSP, the proposed legislation is not expected to impact the agency's operations. However, this bill would have an impact on revenues collected by local law enforcement agencies, clerks, and the state general fund because the proposal allows for an additional 10 years before concealed weapons permits must be renewed. According to data from VSP, 16,697 resident, and 90 nonresident permits were renewed annually, on average, between 2012-2016. This amounts to an average of \$83,485 for residents and \$9,000 for nonresident permit renewal fees that was collected and deposited into the general fund per year. The provision of this legislation would reduce the revenue deposited into the general fund due to extending the validity of concealed handgun permits for both residents and nonresidents from 5 years to 15 years.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of State Police, Clerks of the Court, and Local law enforcement agencies.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.