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LCO No. 2446



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:

(PS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE REFUND OF CERTAIN FIREARM PERMIT FEES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsections (a) to (e), inclusive, of section 29-30 of the 2026  
2 supplement to the general statutes are repealed and the following is  
3 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2026*):

4 (a) The fee for each permit originally issued under the provisions of  
5 subsection (b) of section 29-28 for the sale at retail of firearms shall be  
6 two hundred dollars and for each renewal of such permit two hundred  
7 dollars. The fee for each state permit originally issued under the  
8 provisions of subsection (c) of section 29-28, for the carrying of pistols  
9 and revolvers shall be one hundred forty dollars plus sufficient funds as  
10 required to be transmitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to  
11 cover the cost of a national criminal history records check. The local  
12 permitting authority, as defined in section 29-28, or the chief of police of  
13 a law enforcement unit of any federally recognized Native American  
14 tribe within the borders of the state, as referenced in subsection (c) of  
15 section 29-28, shall forward sufficient funds for the national criminal

16 history records check to the commissioner no later than five business  
17 days after receipt by the local permitting authority, or such chief of  
18 police of a law enforcement unit of any federally recognized Native  
19 American tribe, of the application for the temporary state permit.  
20 [Seventy] Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, seventy  
21 dollars shall be retained by the local permitting authority, or such chief  
22 of police of a law enforcement unit of any federally recognized Native  
23 American tribe. Upon approval by the local permitting authority, or  
24 such chief of police of a law enforcement unit of any federally  
25 recognized Native American tribe, of the application for a temporary  
26 state permit, seventy dollars shall be sent to the commissioner. The fee  
27 to renew each state permit originally issued under the provisions of  
28 subsection (c) of section 29-28 shall be seventy dollars. Upon deposit of  
29 such fees in the General Fund, ten dollars of each fee shall be credited  
30 within thirty days to the appropriation for the Department of  
31 Emergency Services and Public Protection to a separate nonlapsing  
32 account for the purposes of the issuance of permits under subsections  
33 (b) and (c) of section 29-28.

34 (b) A local permit originally issued before October 1, 2001, whether  
35 for the sale at retail of pistols and revolvers or for the carrying of pistols  
36 and revolvers, shall expire five years after the date it becomes effective  
37 and each renewal of such permit shall expire five years after the  
38 expiration date of the permit being renewed. On and after October 1,  
39 2001, no local permit for the carrying of pistols and revolvers shall be  
40 renewed.

41 (c) A state permit originally issued under the provisions of section 29-  
42 28 for the carrying of pistols and revolvers shall expire five years after  
43 the date such permit becomes effective and each renewal of such permit  
44 shall expire five years after the expiration date of the state permit being  
45 renewed and such renewal shall not be contingent on the renewal or  
46 issuance of a local permit. A temporary state permit issued for the  
47 carrying of pistols and revolvers shall expire sixty days after the date it  
48 becomes effective, and may not be renewed.

49 (d) The renewal fee required pursuant to subsection (a) of this section  
50 shall apply for each renewal which is requested not earlier than thirty-  
51 one days before, and not later than thirty-one days after, the expiration  
52 date of the state permit being renewed.

53 (e) No fee or portion of any fee paid under the provisions of this  
54 section for issuance or renewal of a state permit shall be refundable  
55 except if (1) such permit for which the fee or portion was paid was not  
56 issued or renewed, or (2) the local permitting authority fails to discharge  
57 any obligation applicable to such local permitting authority pursuant to  
58 subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 29-28a or subsection (b) or (c)  
59 of section 29-29 within the applicable time limits established under said  
60 subdivision or subsection, in which case the local permitting authority  
61 shall refund seventy dollars to the applicant. The portion of the fee  
62 expended on the national criminal history records check for any such  
63 permit that was not issued or renewed shall not be refunded.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2026</i>	29-30(a) to (e)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide that, if a local permitting authority fails to discharge any obligation applicable to such local permitting authority pursuant to certain firearm permit provisions within the applicable time limits, the local permitting authority shall refund seventy dollars to the applicant.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*