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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Handgun Permits – Renewal Period for Retired Law**
3 **Enforcement Officer**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing that a handgun permit issued to a retired law
5 enforcement officer of the State or a county or municipal corporation of the
6 State expires on the last day of the holder's birth month following a certain
7 period after the date the permit is issued and may be renewed for successive
8 periods of a certain length under certain circumstances; providing that a retired
9 law enforcement officer who applies for the renewal of a permit is not required
10 to be fingerprinted; and generally relating to handgun permits.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
12 Article – Public Safety
13 Section 5–301(a) and (d) and 5–304(b)(1) and (d)(2)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
17 Article – Public Safety
18 Section 5–309
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

21 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
22 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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Article – Public Safety

2 5–301.

3 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

4 (d) “Permit” means a permit issued by the Secretary to carry, wear, or
5 transport a handgun.

6 5–304.

7 (b) (1) Subject to subsections (c) and (d) of this section, the Secretary may
8 charge a nonrefundable fee payable when an application is filed for a permit.

9 (d) The Secretary may not charge a fee under subsection (b) of this section to:

10 (2) a retired law enforcement officer of the State or a county or
11 municipal corporation of the State.

12 5–309.

13 (a) **[A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, A**
14 **permit expires on the last day of the holder’s birth month following 2 years after the**
15 **date the permit is issued.**16 (b) **[A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, A**
17 **permit may be renewed for successive periods of 3 years each if, at the time of an**
18 **application for renewal, the applicant possesses the qualifications for the issuance of a**
19 **permit and pays the renewal fee stated in this subtitle.**20 **(C) (1) A PERMIT ISSUED TO A RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT**
21 **OFFICER OF THE STATE OR A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE**
22 **STATE:**23 **(I) EXPIRES ON THE LAST DAY OF THE HOLDER’S BIRTH**
24 **MONTH FOLLOWING 5 YEARS AFTER THE DATE THE PERMIT IS ISSUED; AND**25 **(II) MAY BE RENEWED FOR SUCCESSIVE PERIODS OF 5**
26 **YEARS EACH IF, AT THE TIME OF AN APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL, THE**
27 **APPLICANT POSSESSES THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT.**28 **(2) A RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE STATE OR A**
29 **COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE WHO APPLIES FOR THE**
30 **RENEWAL OF A PERMIT IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE FINGERPRINTED.**

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2014.