

SENATE BILL 113

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By: **Senators Hough, Bailey, Carozza, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Gallion,
Hershey, Jennings, Ready, Reilly, Salling, and West**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Handgun Permits – Payment of Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the manner in which an applicant for a handgun permit is
4 required to pay a certain fee to allow any method of payment approved by the
5 Secretary of State Police; and generally relating to handgun permits.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

7 Article – Public Safety

8 Section 5–304

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2018 Replacement Volume)

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

13 **Article – Public Safety**

14 5–304.

15 (a) An application for a permit shall be made under oath.

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

18 (2) The fee may not exceed:

19 (i) \$75 for an initial application;

20 (ii) \$50 for a renewal or subsequent application; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (iii) \$10 for a duplicate or modified permit.

2 (3) The fees under this subsection are in addition to the fees authorized
3 under § 5–305 of this subtitle.

4 (c) The Secretary may reduce the fee under subsection (b) of this section
5 accordingly for a permit that is granted for one day only and at one place only.

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

7 (1) a State, county, or municipal public safety employee who is required to
8 carry, wear, or transport a handgun as a condition of governmental employment; or

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

11 (e) The applicant [may] **SHALL** pay a fee under this section by [a personal check,
12 business check, certified check, or money order] **A METHOD OF PAYMENT APPROVED BY**
13 **THE SECRETARY.**

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 2019.