

HOUSE BILL 543

By Powers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 17, relative to handgun carry permits.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, is amended by deleting subdivision (q)(1) and substituting:

(1) Prior to the expiration of a permit, a permit holder may apply to the department or to the county clerk in the permit holder's county of residence for the renewal of the permit by submitting, under oath, a renewal application with a renewal fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00). The renewal application must be on a standard form developed by the department of safety and require the applicant to disclose, under oath, the information concerning the applicant as set forth in subsection (c), and also require the applicant to certify that the applicant still satisfies all the eligibility requirements of this section for the issuance of a permit. In the event the permit expires prior to the approval or issuance of notice of denial regarding the renewal application by the department or the county clerk, the permit holder is entitled to continue to use the expired permit; provided, however, that the permit holder shall be required to prove by displaying a receipt for the renewal application fee that the renewal application was delivered to the department or county clerk prior to the expiration date of the permit. The department shall contract with county clerk offices for the provision of any service related to the renewal of enhanced handgun carry permits, subject to applicable contracting statutes and regulations.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1366, is amended by deleting subdivision (j)(1) and substituting:

(1) Prior to the expiration of a concealed handgun carry permit, a permit holder may apply to the department or to the county clerk in the permit holder's county of residence for the renewal of the permit by submitting, under oath, a renewal application. The renewal application must be on a standard form developed by the department; must require the applicant to disclose, under oath, the information concerning the applicant as set forth in subsection (b); and must require the applicant to certify that the applicant still satisfies all the eligibility requirements of this section for the issuance of a concealed handgun carry permit. In the event the permit holder's current concealed handgun carry permit expires prior to the department's or county clerk's approval or issuance of notice of denial regarding a pending renewal application, the permit holder is entitled to continue to use the expired permit until the department or county clerk issues an approval or denial of the renewal application. The department shall contract with county clerk offices for the provision of any service related to the renewal of concealed handgun carry permits, subject to applicable contracting statutes and regulations.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.