GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2009

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Short Title: Renew Concealed Carry Permit/30 Day Limit. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hilton and Gulley (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A PERSON MUST APPLY TO RENEW A CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT WITHIN THE THIRTY-DAY PERIOD PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE PERMIT, TO PROVIDE THAT A SHERIFF SHALL ISSUE OR DENY AN APPLICATION TO RENEW A CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE COMPLETED RENEWAL APPLICATION, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE PERMIT OF A PERSON WHO COMPLIES WITH THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS REMAINS VALID BEYOND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE PERMIT UNTIL THE PERSON IS EITHER GRANTED OR DENIED A RENEWAL PERMIT BY THE SHERIFF.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 14-415.16 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-415.16. Renewal of permit.

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- (a) The holder of a permit shall apply to renew the permit at least 30 days within the 30-day period prior to its expiration date by filing with the sheriff of the county in which the person resides a renewal form provided by the sheriff's office, a notarized affidavit stating that the permittee remains qualified under the criteria provided in this Article, a newly administered full set of the permittee's fingerprints, and a renewal fee.
- (b) Upon receipt of the completed renewal application, including the permittee's fingerprints, and the appropriate payment of fees, the sheriff shall determine if the permittee remains qualified to hold a permit in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 14-415.12. The permittee's criminal history shall be updated, and the sheriff may waive the requirement of taking another firearms safety and training course. If the permittee applies for a renewal of the permit within 30 days of its expiration date and if the permittee remains qualified to have a permit under G.S. 14-415.12, the sheriff shall renew the permit within 30 days upon receipt of the completed renewal application. If the thirtieth day is a Saturday, Sunday, or State or federal holiday, then the period extends to the next business day. The permit of a permittee who complies with this section shall remain valid beyond the expiration date of the permit until the permittee either receives a renewal permit or is denied a renewal permit by the sheriff.
- (c) No fingerprints shall be required for a renewal permit if the applicant's fingerprints were submitted to the State Bureau of Investigation after June 30, 2001, on the Automated Fingerprint Information System (AFIS) as prescribed by the State Bureau of Investigation."
- **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to permit renewal applications submitted on or after that date.

