

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: House Bill 1065 2nd Edition

SHORT TITLE: Concealed Handguns/Reciprocity

SPONSOR(S): Representatives Decker and Gibson

FISCAL IMPACT

	Yes ()	No (X)	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 1999-00</u>	<u>FY 2000-01</u>	<u>FY 2001-02</u>	<u>FY 2002-03</u>	<u>FY 2003-04</u>

REVENUES

EXPENDITURES NONE

POSITIONS:

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) &

PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Department of Justice/ Division of Criminal Information;
Administrative Office of the Courts

EFFECTIVE DATE: Reciprocity effective 90 days after act becomes law; DOJ to develop registry within 90 days of act becoming law.

BILL SUMMARY: HB 1065 would provide reciprocal concealed handgun rights under certain circumstances to those who hold permits from other states. A permit or license issued by another state would be valid in North Carolina if the other state requires the appropriate background checks, not including live fire proficiency, and if the other state grants reciprocity to holders of NC concealed handgun permits. The Attorney General would be required to maintain a registry available to law enforcement listing states qualified for reciprocity. Nonresidents with permits from other states would be required to comply with some but not all (e.g. do not have to notify Sheriff of a change of address) of the requirements of NC permit holders.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

The Department of Justice would be required to obtain and update information on other states' laws and procedures in order to develop the registry. This work would involve legal, clerical and law enforcement personnel. Most of the work would be immediately after passage of the Bill to prepare the registry in time for the deadline. This workload could be absorbed within existing resources. The registry could be made available to law enforcement through existing systems.

The Administrative Office of the Courts does not expect any fiscal impact on the courts from HB 1065. The reciprocity might *reduce* the number of people charged with infractions/misdemeanor violations of current permitting requirements.

The law would not require holders of out-of-state permits to register with local law enforcement, submit fingerprints, etc. so there are no impacts related to a registration process.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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