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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 required to pay a certain fee to allow any method of payment approved by the 4 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 (2018 Replacement Volume) 10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND. 11 12 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 13 Article - Public Safety 5-304. 14 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 \$75 for an initial application; (i) 20 \$50 for a renewal or subsequent application; and (ii) 21\$10 for a duplicate or modified permit. (iii)



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- 1 (3) The fees under this subsection are in addition to the fees authorized 2 under \S 5–305 of this subtitle.
- 3 (c) The Secretary may reduce the fee under subsection (b) of this section 4 accordingly for a permit that is granted for one day only and at one place only.
- 5 (d) The Secretary may not charge a fee under subsection (b) of this section to:
- 6 (1) a State, county, or municipal public safety employee who is required to carry, wear, or transport a handgun as a condition of governmental employment; or
- 8 (2) a retired law enforcement officer of the State or a county or municipal 9 corporation of the State.
- 10 (e) The applicant [may] SHALL pay a fee under this section by [a personal check, 11 business check, certified check, or money order] A METHOD OF PAYMENT APPROVED BY 12 THE SECRETARY.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2019.