

SENATE BILL 113

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

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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

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~~ may is required to pay a certain fee to allow ~~any method of payment~~  
5 ~~approved by the Secretary of State Police for payment by credit card~~ any method of  
6 payment approved by the Secretary of State Police; and generally relating to  
7 handgun permits.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

9 Article – Public Safety

10 Section 5–304

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2018 Replacement Volume)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – Public Safety**

16 5–304.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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

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

4 (2) The fee may not exceed:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

17 (e) The applicant ~~may~~ **SHALL** ~~SHALL~~ pay a fee under this section by ~~a personal~~  
18 ~~check, business check, certified check, or money order~~ **A METHOD OF PAYMENT**  
19 **APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY** ~~A METHOD OF PAYMENT APPROVED BY THE~~  
20 ~~SECRETARY, OR CREDIT CARD.~~

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

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.