

SENATE BILL 113

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(9lr0854)

ENROLLED BILL

— Judicial Proceedings/Judiciary —

Introduced by **Senators Hough, Bailey, Carozza, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Gallion, Hershey, Jennings, Ready, Reilly, Salling, ~~and West~~ West, and Smith**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

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~~ is required to pay a certain fee to allow *for payment by electronic*
5 ~~check, credit card, or any method of payment approved by the Secretary of State~~
6 ~~Police for payment by credit card~~ any method of *online* payment approved by the
7 Secretary of State Police; and generally relating to 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)

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.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
2 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Public Safety**

4 5–304.

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

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

8 (2) The fee may not exceed:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

21 (e) The applicant ~~may~~ **SHALL** ~~SHALL~~ pay a fee under this section by AN
22 ELECTRONIC CHECK, A CREDIT CARD, OR ~~a personal check, business check, certified~~
23 ~~check, or money order~~ A METHOD OF ONLINE PAYMENT APPROVED BY THE
24 SECRETARY ~~A METHOD OF PAYMENT APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY, OR CREDIT~~
25 CARD.

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