

SB 0331/HB 0094 Public Safety - Handgun Permits - Expiration and Renewal Periods for Retired Law Enforcement Officer

The premise of this bill is to align the renewal of permits to 5 years. I agree with this, however, it should be for ALL Permit holders. Most states that border Maryland are at a 5 year to 7-year renewal period and if Maryland aligns with them that make more sense than to have it at 3 years. Law enforcement officers only make up a low percentage of all the permits in the state and would not make a dent in the workload – so why do it at all if you are not going to do it for everyone?

I ask for an amendment to include all permit holders, in that case I would be favorable to move this bill forward.

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