GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1508

Short Title: Gun Permit/Decrease Renewal Fee.	(Public)
Sponsors: Representatives Mitchell; Gillespie and Gulley.	
Referred to: Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House.	

May 11, 2000

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE FINGERPRINTING REQUIREMENT AND TO DECREASE THE FEE FOR RENEWAL OF A CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-415.16 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-415.16. Renewal of permit.

The holder of a permit shall apply to renew the permit at least 30 days prior to its expiration date by filing with the sheriff of the county in which the person resides a renewal form provided by the sheriff's office, a notarized affidavit stating that the permittee remains qualified under the criteria provided in this Article, a newly administered full set of the permittee's fingerprints, and a renewal fee. Upon receipt of the completed renewal application, including the permittee's fingerprints, application and the appropriate payment of fees, the sheriff shall determine if the permittee remains qualified to hold a permit in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 14-415.12. The permittee's criminal history shall be updated, and the sheriff may waive the requirement of taking another firearms safety and training course. If the permittee applies for a renewal of the permit within 30 days of its expiration date and if the permittee remains qualified to have a permit under G.S. 14-415.12, the sheriff shall renew the permit."

Section 2. G.S. 14-415.19 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-415.19. Fees.

 (a) The permit fees assessed under this Article are payable to the sheriff. The sheriff shall transmit the proceeds of these fees to the county finance officer to be remitted or credited by the county finance officer in accordance with the provisions of this subsection. The permit fees are as follows:

6	Application fee	\$80.00
7	Renewal fee	\$80.00 <u>\$75.00</u>
8	Duplicate permit fee	\$15.00

The county finance officer shall remit forty-five dollars (\$45.00) of each new application fee or and forty dollars (\$40.00) of each renewal fee to the North Carolina Department of Justice for the costs of State and federal criminal record checks performed in connection with processing applications and for the implementation of the provisions of this Article. The remaining thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) of each application or renewal fee shall be used by the sheriff to pay the costs of administering this Article and for other law enforcement purposes. The county shall expend the restricted funds for these purposes only.

(b) An additional fee, not to exceed ten dollars (\$10.00), shall be collected by the sheriff from an applicant for a <u>new permit</u> to pay for the costs of processing the applicant's fingerprints. This fee shall be retained by the sheriff."

Section 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2000.