

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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Agency DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	Agency Priority (necessary)
Contact Person	Telephone
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Title of Proposal AAC CHANGES TO FEES FOR PISTOL AND REVOLVER PERMITS	Statutory Reference Proposal Type X New Resubmittal
ATTACH COPY OF FULLY DRAFTED BILL <i>(Required for review)</i>	
APPROVAL OF OTHER AFFECTED AGENCY (Attach additional approvals if necessary)	
Agency N/A	Agency Contact (Name and Title)
Attach Summary of Agency Comments	Contact Date
Summary of Proposal (Include background information) Increase fees, initial and renewal and separates the combined fee payable to the municipal authority.	
Reason for Proposal (Include significant policy and programmatic impacts) Requests the increase of fees for retail permit to sell as well as the initial fee for the 60-day temporary permit and the state permit to carry pistols and revolvers. Fees have not changed since 1989 when they were raised to \$35.00 for initial fee and then \$35.00 upon renewal every 5 yrs. Although Public Act 01-130 combined the fees for the initial 60-day temporary permit and state permit, the police departments do not collect nor send the commissioner the fee due to the state. This proposal eliminates the need for the town to collect the fee for the commissioner. This request also raises the amount being deposited into the non-lapsing account and adds what the uses can be used for.	

Significant Fiscal Impacts

Municipal: Increase fees

Federal: None

State: Increase the fees to general fund.

Sec. 29-30. Fees for pistol and revolver permits. Expiration and renewal of permits.

(a) The fee for each permit originally issued under the provisions of subsection (a) of section 29-28 for the sale at retail of pistols and revolvers shall be one hundred and fifty dollars and for each renewal thereof one hundred and fifty dollars. The fee for each state permit originally issued under the provisions of subsection (b) of section 29-28 for the carrying of pistols and revolvers shall be [seventy] fifty dollars plus sufficient funds as required to be transmitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to cover the cost of a national criminal history records check. The local authority shall forward sufficient funds for the national criminal history records check to the commissioner no later than five business days after receipt by the local authority of the application for the temporary state permit. [Thirty-five dollars] The fifty dollars shall be retained by the local authority. Upon approval by the local authority [of the application for a temporary state permit, thirty-five dollars shall be sent to the commissioner] the applicant may apply to the Commissioner of Public Safety for a statewide permit and submit application as prescribed by the commissioner with a fee of one hundred dollars to the Commissioner of Public Safety. The fee to renew each state permit originally issued under the provisions of subsection (b) of section 29-28 shall be one hundred [thirty-five] dollars. Upon deposit of such fees in the General Fund, [ten] thirty dollars of each fee shall be credited within thirty days to the appropriation for the Department of Public Safety to a separate nonlapsing account for the purposes of the issuance, administration and regulation of firearms and permits under subsections (a) and (b) of section 29-28, and under Chapter 529 sections 29-32, 29-33 through 29-38d inclusive and, 53a-217 and 53a-217c.

(b) A local permit originally issued before October 1, 2001, whether for the sale at retail of pistols and revolvers or for the carrying of pistols and revolvers, shall expire five years after the date it becomes effective and each renewal thereof shall expire five years after the expiration date of the permit being renewed. On and after October 1, 2001, no local permit for the carrying of pistols and revolvers shall be renewed.

(c) A state permit originally issued under the provisions of section 29-28 for the carrying of pistols and revolvers shall expire five years after the date such permit becomes effective and each renewal thereof shall expire five years after the expiration date of the state permit being renewed and such renewal shall not be contingent on the renewal or issuance of a local permit. A temporary state permit issued for the carrying of pistols and revolvers shall expire sixty days after the date it becomes effective, and may not be renewed.

(d) The renewal fee required pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall apply for each renewal which is requested not earlier than thirty-one days before, and not later than thirty-one days after, the expiration date of the state permit being renewed.

(e) No fee or portion thereof paid under the provisions of this section for issuance or renewal of a state permit shall be refundable except if such permit for which the fee or portion thereof was paid was not issued or renewed. The portion of the fee expended on the national criminal history records check for any such permit that was not issued or renewed shall not be refunded.

(f) The issuing authority shall send a notice of the expiration of a state permit to carry a pistol or revolver, issued pursuant to section 29-28, to the holder of such permit, by first class mail, not less than ninety days before such expiration, and shall enclose with such notice a form for the renewal of said state permit. A state permit to carry a pistol or revolver, issued pursuant to section 29-28, shall be valid for a period of ninety days after the expiration date, except this provision shall not apply to any state permit to carry a pistol or revolver which has been revoked or for which revocation is pending, pursuant to section 29-32.