

Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: HB 3075 Only impacts on Original or Engrossed

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SUMMARY

Digest: The Act makes changes to the gun permit and transfer process. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.3).

Modifies the firearm permit provisions of Ballot Measure 114 (2022). Specifies where a person may apply for a permit to purchase a firearm and adds an eligibility requirement. Provides that information obtained during the application process and during the criminal background check and maintained within the database of permit holders is exempt from disclosure as a public record. Extends the time, from 30 to 60 days from receipt of the application, by which a permit agent must issue a permit to a qualified applicant or mail reasons for a denial in writing to the applicant. Increases the maximum fee that may be charged for an initial application for and renewal of a permit. Specifies the portion of the fee payable to the Department of State Police for conducting a criminal background check. Establishes alternatives to a firearms training course or class that may be used to satisfy the requirement of proof of completion of a firearm safety course for the permit. Provides that permits are not required for firearm transfers until July 1, 2026. Establishes a temporary exception to the permit requirement for the transfer of certain firearms until July 1, 2028. Establishes a permanent exception to the permit requirement for active duty law enforcement and military.

Modifies the affirmative defense language for the large capacity magazine provisions of Ballot Measure 114 (2022). Provides that a challenge to legality of the Act must be commenced in the Circuit Court for Marion County.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure exempts from public disclosure the information obtained by the permitting agent and the Department of State Police during the firearm permit application process and criminal background check. This measure also exempts from public disclosure the information stored in the electronic firearm permit database that is maintained by the Department of State Police.

If those public records that could be subject to public disclosure were instead subject to mandatory disclosure under public records law, the public could gain information about firearm permits maintained in the electronic firearm permit database and information about an individual who applies for a firearm permit including information that is included in a criminal background check and identifying information submitted to the permitting agent or Department of State Police during the application process.