

**ACT No. 44**

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 304

BY REPRESENTATIVES MAGEE, ABRAHAM, AMEDEE, ARMES, BACALA, BAGLEY, BAGNERIS, BERTHELOT, BISHOP, CHAD BROWN, CARMODY, COUSSAN, COX, CROMER, DAVIS, DEVILLIER, DWIGHT, EMERSON, FOIL, LANCE HARRIS, HAVARD, HAZEL, HILL, HORTON, HOWARD, IVEY, JACKSON, JENKINS, MIKE JOHNSON, LEBAS, MACK, MIGUEZ, GREGORY MILLER, POPE, PYLANT, RICHARD, SCHEXNAYDER, SEABAUGH, STOKES, AND ZERINGUE AND SENATORS ALARIO, BISHOP, CHABERT, COLOMB, ERDEY, FANNIN, GATTI, HEWITT, LONG, MILKOVICH, MILLS, MIZELL, PERRY, RISER, GARY SMITH, JOHN SMITH, TARVER, THOMPSON, WARD, AND WHITE

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1379.3(W), relative to concealed handgun permits; to provide  
3 for an exemption from fees for veterans of the United States Armed Forces; and to  
4 provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:1379.3(W) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures;  
8 definitions

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10 W.(1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, an active duty  
11 member; or reserve member, ~~or veteran~~ of the armed forces of the United States shall  
12 pay one half of the annual fee provided for in Paragraph (H)(2) of this Section for a  
13 five-year permit, or if applying for a lifetime concealed handgun permit, he shall  
14 prepay that fee for a total of ten years at the time the application for the lifetime  
15 concealed handgun permit is made.

16 (2) A veteran of the armed forces of the United States shall be exempt from  
17 all fees associated with the five-year permit or lifetime concealed carry permit.

18 ~~(2)~~(3) For the purposes of this Subsection, "veteran" shall mean any  
19 honorably discharged veteran of the armed forces of the United States including

1           reserve components of the armed forces, the Army National Guard, the Air National  
2           Guard, the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, and any other category  
3           of persons designated by the president in time of war or emergency.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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