
DIGEST

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HB No. 1066

Abstract: Provides for a federal criminal history check prior to the issuance of a concealed handgun permit.

Present law provides for the issuance of concealed handgun permits.

Present law provides for the qualifications and criteria required to be issued a concealed handgun permit.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that state police execute a thorough background investigation, including a criminal history check, of every applicant for the purpose of verifying the qualifications of the applicant prior to issuing a concealed handgun permit. Defines a background check as a computer check of available on-line state records, and, if warranted, the fingerprints may be forwarded to the FBI.

Proposed law retains these provisions of present law and further requires state police to make an inquiry on every applicant to the FBI's National Instant Criminal Background Check System.

Proposed law provides that if the applicant is not a U.S. citizen, the applicant shall provide any alien or admission number issued by the U.S. Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and any basis, if applicable, for an exception to the prohibitions from possession of a firearm under federal law.

(Amends R.S. 40:1379.3(C)(1) and (17) and (K))