

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
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**SENATE BILL 118**

Short Title: Military Veteran/Reduce CCW Permit Fee. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Lazzara, Sawyer, and Daniel (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

February 21, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO REDUCE THE CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT APPLICATION AND  
RENEWAL FEES FOR A PERSON WHO WAS DISCHARGED HONORABLY OR  
UNDER GENERAL HONORABLE CONDITIONS FROM MILITARY SERVICE IN THE  
ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-415.19 reads as rewritten:  
**"§ 14-415.19. Fees.**

...

(a1) The permit fees for a retired sworn law enforcement officer who provides the information required by subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection to the sheriff, in addition to any other information required under this Article, are as follows:

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| Application fee ..... | \$45.00 |
| Renewal fee .....     | \$40.00 |

- (1) A copy of the officer's letter of retirement from either the North Carolina Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System or the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System.
- (2) Written documentation from the head of the agency where the person was previously employed indicating that the person was neither involuntarily terminated nor under administrative or criminal investigation within six months of retirement.

The county finance officer shall remit the proceeds of the fees assessed under this subsection to the North Carolina Department of Public Safety to cover the cost of performing the State and federal criminal record checks performed in connection with processing applications and for the implementation of the provisions of this Article.

(a2) The permit fees for a person who was discharged honorably or under general honorable conditions from military service in the Armed Forces of the United States are the same as for a retired sworn law enforcement officer under subsection (a1) of this section. In addition to any other information required under this Article, an applicant claiming a reduced fee under this subsection shall provide a Form DD-214 showing the applicant has been discharged honorably or under general honorable conditions from military service in the Armed Forces of the United States, a Veterans Identification Card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, or other documentation (i) showing the person was discharged honorably or under general honorable conditions from military service in the Armed Forces of the United



1 States and (ii) deemed satisfactory by the sheriff. The county finance officer shall remit the  
2 proceeds of the fees assessed under this subsection in the same manner as proceeds remitted  
3 under subsection (a1) of this section.

4 ...."

5 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2025, and applies to applications  
6 for concealed handgun permits and permit renewals submitted on or after that date.