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House Bill 4643 (Substitute S-4 as reported by the Committee of the Whole)
Sponsor: Representative Rick Jones
House Committee: Conservation, Forestry, and Outdoor Recreation
Senate Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the handgun licensure law to do the following:

- Require a concealed weapon licensing board to issue or deny a renewal license within 60 days after a licensee properly applied for renewal.
- Extend the original license period if the board did not meet the 60-day requirement.
- Require the county clerk to issue the applicant a receipt for his or her renewal application at the time it was submitted.

If the concealed weapon licensing board failed to deny or issue a renewal license to the person within 60 days, the expiration date would be extended by 180 days or until the renewal license was issued, whichever occurred first. This provision would not apply unless the person paid the renewal fee at the time the renewal application was submitted and had submitted a receipt confirming that he or she had requested a background check.

A person carrying a concealed pistol after the expiration date of his or her license, pursuant to an extension under the bill, would have to keep the receipt issued by the county clerk and the expired license in his or her possession at all times that he or she carried the pistol. For purposes of the handgun licensure law, the receipt would be considered to be part of the license to carry a concealed pistol until a renewal license was issued or denied. Failing to possess the receipt and expired license while carrying a concealed pistol or failing to display the receipt to a peace officer upon request would be a violation of the law.

A receipt issued under the bill would have to contain the time and date of application and other information listed in the bill.

The bill would take effect on July 1, 2006.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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