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House Bill 4134 (Substitute S-2 as reported)
Sponsor: Representative Frank D. Foster
House Committee: Judiciary
Senate Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

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

- Excuse a peace officer from the pistol safety training required to qualify for a concealed pistol license.
- Excuse active duty or honorably discharged military personnel from the firing range portion of the pistol safety training requirement.

The handgun licensure law requires the concealed weapon licensing board to issue a concealed pistol license to an applicant who meets specified requirements. These include a requirement that the applicant has knowledge and has had training in the safe use and handling of a pistol by the successful completion of a pistol safety training course that meets certain requirements. This requirement is waived for an applicant who is a retired police officer or retired law enforcement officer. The bill also would waive the requirement for an applicant who currently was a peace officer.

Among other things, a pistol safety training program must provide at least three hours of instruction on a firing range and require firing at least 30 rounds of ammunition. Under the bill, that portion of the pistol safety training requirement would be waived for an applicant who was on active duty status with the U.S. armed forces or the Michigan National Guard, or who received an honorable discharge from the U.S. armed forces or the Michigan National Guard at the time of his or her separation.

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Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would waive the pistol safety training requirement, or a portion of it, for peace officers, active duty military personnel, and honorably discharged military personnel. Waiving this requirement could result in increased concealed pistol license applications. Applicants must pay a \$105 application fee, of which \$41 benefits the county and the remaining revenue benefits the State.

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